

AccessAbility

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DASS Disability Accommodations & Success Strategies

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TOPICS

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SNL Meeting

Students for New Learning

Zoom: <https://smu.zoom.us/j/94347342984>

Tuesday, April 6, join us for a roundtable discussion by students on which instructors have been most supportive to DASS students with learning differences. We'll also talk about timing your courses to sync with your natural highs and lows of the day, and balancing your Fall 2021 schedule with a mix of class difficulty levels and subjects.

Final Exams – IMPORTANT for anyone with testing accommodations

Final Exams will be held beginning **May 6th through May 12th**. The University's [final exam schedule](#) can always be found on the SMU website.

All exams will be delivered virtually and the procedures for DASS students should likely be the same as every other exam by notifying your instructor well before the exam date to ensure your accommodations can be set in place. (Dedman Law students should contact Dean Yeager's office or Kim Grace).

NOW is the time to check to see if you have any scheduling conflicts with your times and dates. Finals are 3 hours as a standard length, so if you have extended time, it is possible to have overlapping exams. You need to work these conflicts out **NOW** to ensure you receive your accommodations. It is your responsibility, not the instructor, to notify them if you are going to be using your accommodations.

DASS assumes your instructors will be able to virtually proctor you for final exams, but if there is a conflict that can't be resolved between you and your instructor, our office can offer support. It is expected you will have spoken with your instructor and attempted to resolve your testing issue.

If your instructor needs DASS to proctor your final exam, you, the student, must schedule no later than **April 29th** in [DASS Link](#). Be sure to select "Final exam" so the system calculates the extended time correctly. Call before **4/29/21** with any questions. 214-768-1470.



Interactive Panel Discussion on Dyslexia & ADHD in the Real World

Mon, Apr 12, 2021 7:00 PM CDT

The topics of this panel discussion will be College, Careers, & Employment. Our panelists are Successful Adult Dyslexics who will share openly about their experiences in school and how they landed in their current career path with their learning differences, and ADHD.

About this Event

Speak directly with Experts and Successful Adult Dyslexics on the topics of College, Careers, & Employment. We will also discuss, how and when to disclose your learning difference to your employer, going to college, trade school, and finding your dream job!

Date and Time

Mon, April 12, 2021
7:00 PM – 8:30 PM CDT

Location

Online Event
[Add to Calendar](#)

[Register on Eventbrite](#)

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A-LEC Workshops



Feeling a little overwhelmed?

Look into one of the available workshops to get tips on finishing out your semester successfully. These last 2 sessions are focused on wrapping up your semester and getting ready for finals. Flexible dates available in Zoom sessions or in person in the A-LEC.

[Plan a Successful Finish: The Last Month](#) [Prepare for Finals: The Last Week](#)

Thursday 4/8 4:00 pm Zoom

Monday 4/26 Zoom

Monday 4/12 2:00 pm A-LEX 2020

Tuesday 4/27 Zoom

Tuesday 4/13 3:30 pm Zoom

May TERM

If you are enrolled for **May Term 2021**, due to the fast-paced mini-term, it is important to have your letters and accommodations in place sooner than later. Classes will begin on **May 13th- May 27th** and having your letters requested and delivered ahead of time will help you stay on track.



Summer & Mini summer sessions



Be sure and submit your semester request for your summer classes a couple of weeks before classes begin so you have time to contact your instructor to discuss testing arrangements well before a test is scheduled!

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