



Next Students for New Learning Meeting, October 18

Wednesday, October 18 @ 5pm
A-LEC room 217

Our September kick-off meeting of Students for New Learning (SNL), our student organization for students with ADHD and Learning Differences, drew a number of new members and student leaders.

We brainstormed, coming up with interesting directions for SNL including outreach to SMU faculty and staff and fun events to attract new members and to educate SMU students about ADHD and LD.

Let's keep the momentum during our next meeting on Wednesday, October 18! **Just in time for Spring 2018 enrollment, we'll have a roundtable discussion about instructors who work well with students with ADHD and LD.** If you want inside information from other SMU students, from 1st years to graduate students, or you want to give back by sharing your experiences with others, this is the SNL meeting to attend!

Pizza, sodas, and water will be provided, as always.



TOPICS

- ◇ SNL MEETING
- ◇ DO'S AND DON'TS
- ◇ PLANNING FALL FINALS
- ◇ SCHOLARSHIP

Planning Fall Finals

Now is the time to talk to your professor about finals. We encourage you to take your final with your professor, but if that is not feasible, you may be able to take your a final at DASS. **11/1–11/28** is the 4 week window to schedule your final at DASS, using the Online Scheduler. This will be your only opportunity to schedule.

Here are a few reminders for scheduling finals at DASS:

- Your final should be scheduled closest to the time of your class final. Check the registrar's schedule here: <https://www.smu.edu/EnrollmentServices/Registrar/Enrollment/FinalExamSchedule/Fall2017>
- Otherwise, DASS must get an email from your professor approving you to test at a different time from your class if you have a conflict. Please forward the entire email chain to DASS, giving permission.
- There are limited seats available for each testing time. The earlier you schedule your final the better chance you have getting the time slot you need.
- Don't wait until 11/28. We will likely be full by then!



Handling Your Accommodations

DO'S

- **DO** make an appointment with your professor to discuss your accommodations.
- **DO** set up your test with your professor or schedule your test at least 7 days out from the test date with the online scheduler: <https://dassscheduler.smu.edu/>
- **DO** discuss your accommodations with your professor at least a week before you test.
- **Do** share any time conflict you have with your professor regarding using your extended time.

DON'TS

- **Don't** hand your letter to your professor before or after class. You miss having the necessary discussion to make plans for your accommodations.
- **Don't** schedule 6 days or less online—The online scheduler will not allow you! That's not enough time for us to make arrangements.
- **Don't** walk in the day of your test and tell your professor you have testing accommodations.
- **Don't** assume your professor will be fine with you scheduling a test at DASS well outside the class time. The instructor must approve this!

The Autistic Self Advocacy Network (ASAN) awards 4 to 6 autistic students with the Autistic Scholars Fellowship, a \$5,000 tuition scholarship to promote autistic leadership and create systemic change on college campuses. More information and scholarship applications can be found at <http://autisticadvocacy.org/2017/09/asan-announces-2018-autistic-scholars-fellowship/>.

Completed applications are due on Sunday, November 19th.

