

The college process with learning disabilities

Finding someone to critique your college essay

Are you someone who struggles with organizing your thoughts on the page? Are you someone who has trouble with grammar and punctuation? Are you someone who knows what you want to write about, but does not know where to begin?

A college essay tutor/ teacher can help with all of these difficulties! They can help you figure out your essay topic and write a compelling essay for colleges.

Tutoring services/ math or writing centers

I highly recommend making a point to see the tutoring services on college tours (if you think you will utilize them in college). This is perfect to describe some of your difficulties you have and learn if/how they will be able to help you. Number 1 piece of advice: ASK QUESTIONS!

Make sure your individualized needs are top priority. If you have any concerns, voice them. It would be terrible if you go to college and then realize the institution does not accommodate you like you thought they would. It's best to figure it out sooner rather than later!

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Hiring a college planner

College Planners are a helpful resource to utilize, especially if you have a disability. These people will not only listen to your wants and needs, but are very familiar with institutions with great accessibility services. They may talk with students one-on-one and parents one-on-one to get both perspectives on their desires for college. Afterwards, they will give you a tailored list that incorporates your goals for an institution.

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Accessibility services

If you have a disability, I strongly urge you to seek out the accessibility services on your college tour. Ask these people questions regarding accommodations you hope to have in college, what information they need before you even attend college (testing / latest 504 or IEP), who tells processors about your accommodations - Is it the student who emails them or is it the accessibility services who email them?

This will help you understand if you do or do not think your needs will be supported appropriately!

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