

UT MARTIN

Office of Disability Services

GUIDELINES FOR DOCUMENTING A TEMPORARY DISABILITY

Students with temporary injuries (e.g., broken bones, recovery from surgery) are not eligible for formal accommodations, but may benefit from services ODS can coordinate, such as extra time for examinations, use of a scribe, and note taking assistance. Students with such injuries seeking academic assistance should provide supportive documentation to ODS and schedule an appointment with a Disabilities Services Coordinator. The information that should be included in such documentation is outlined below. Individual faculty members have discretion as to whether allowances will be made for missed classes and/or fulfilling course requirements (e.g., examinations, presentations, participation) due to temporary injury or illness. A verification form is also available to provide guidance in the assessment process.

- 1. *Diagnosis, Injury, and/or Condition:*** based on a formal assessment by a qualified provider (e.g., physician, nurse practitioner, physical or occupational therapist).
 - a. Date of diagnosis.
 - b. Approximate duration of diagnosis/injury/condition.
- 2. *Functional Limitations:*** Information on limitations associated with diagnosis, injury, and/or condition.
- 3. *Accommodations:*** (Optional) Recommended adjustments.

All documentation is considered confidential and should be sent to:



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