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(1) A university shall provide reasonable substitution or modification for any requirement for admission

rheumatism, epilepsy, intracranial hemorrhage, embolism, thrombosis (stroke), poliomyelitis, multiple sclerosis, Parkinson's disease, congenital malformation of brain cellular tissue, and physical disabilities pertaining to muscles or nerves, usually as a result of disease or birth defect, including, but not limited to, muscular dystrophy and congenital disorders.

- (e) Speech/Language Disabilities. Disabilities of language, articulation, fluency, or voice that interfere with communication in academic settings, employment preparation/training or social interaction on campus. Examples include, but are not limited to, cleft lip or palate with speech disabilities, stammering, stuttering, laryngectomy, and aphasia.
- (f) Emotional or Behavioral Disability. Emotional or behavioral disabilities rendering the student unable to complete an admission or graduation requirement.
- (g) Autism Spectrum Disorder. Disabilities characterized by an uneven development profile and a pattern of qualitative impairments in social interaction, communication difficulties, and/or the presence of restricted repetitive or stereotyped patterns of behavior, interests, and activities. These characteristics may manifest in a variety of combinations and range from mild to severe.
- (h) Traumatic Brain Injury. An injury to the brain, not of a degenerative or congenital nature but caused by an external force, that may produce a diminished or altered state of consciousness, which results in impairment of cognitive ability or physical ability and functioning.
- (i) Attention Deficit Disorder/Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder. A chronic condition manifested by hyperactive and impulsive behavior, significant symptoms of inattention, or both. The behavior and symptoms have a significant impact on cognitive ability and academic functioning.
- (j) Other Health Disabilities. Any disability not identified in this subsection deemed by a disability professional to make completion of the requirement impossible.

(3) In determining whether to grant a substitution or modification, a university will consider pertinent documents including, but not limited to, assessments administered and interpreted by a licensed psychologist or interns supervised by a licensed psychologist; a physician or other qualified professional's statement; vocational rehabilitation records; school records maintained as a result of the exceptional child provisions of Public Law 94-142; military/Veterans Administration records; Board of Governors regulations; or statewide articulation documents. Standards for documentation required for specific learning disabilities shall include at a minimum intelligence, achievement, and processing assessment using adult-normed instruments with information about functional limitations. Each university shall provide the student the opportunity to present evidence of a qualifying disability.

(4) Each university shall develop and implement policies and procedures for providing reasonable substitution or modification for eligible students as required by this regulation. The policies and procedures shall include at least the following:

- (a) A mechanism for informing students of the process for requesting a substitution or modification;

- (b) A mechanism for identifying reasonable substitutions or modifications for criteria for admission to the institution, admission to a program of study, entry into the upper division, or graduation;
- (c) A mechanism for making the designated substitution or modification known to affected persons;
- (d) A mechanism for making substitution or modification decisions on an individual basis; and
- (e) A mechanism for a student to appeal a denial of substitution, modification, or a determination of eligibility.

(5) The policies shall provide for articulation with other state postsecondary institutions, which shall include, at a minimum, acceptance of all reasonable substitutions previously granted by a state postsecondary institution.

(6) Each university shall maintain records on the substitutions or modifications provided per this regulation, the substitutions identified as available for each documented disability, the number of students granted substitutions by type of disability, and substitutions provided and the number of requests for substitutions that were denied.

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