



California Institute of Integral Studies

Information for Students with Diagnosed Psychological Disabilities

California Institute of Integral Studies is dedicated to providing equal access to educational opportunities, academic programs, class content, and related assessments to students with diagnosed & documented disabilities. The purpose of accommodations is to remove barriers without compromising the fundamental nature of a course or its essential elements.

Eligibility

To determine eligibility for services for students with diagnosed psychological disabilities, CIIS requires current and complete diagnostic documentation. Documentation is required to assess whether the impairment significantly impacts a major life activity (including learning) and to establish the extent of the student's disability-related functional limitations.

Disability-Related Documentation Requirements

- Diagnostic documentation should be conducted, analyzed and reported in a diagnostic testing report by one or more of the following professionals:
 - Psychologist (Master's degree or higher)
 - Licensed Professional Counselor (Master's degree or higher)
 - Clinical Social Worker (LMSW or higher)
 - Psychiatrist (M.D.)
 - Licensed Marriage & Family Therapist (LMFT-Master's degree or higher)
- Diagnostic information should describe the current, specific functional limitations the individual is experiencing and should answer, in rich detail, the following questions:
 - What are the disability-related functional limitations that are currently being experienced by the individual?

(NOTE: Since individuals with disabilities come in groups of one, a disability statement alone **is not** acceptable documentation).

- What is the level of impact the individual is currently experiencing?
- What is the current prognosis for the individual?
- If the individual is taking medications for their disability, what are the side effects of the medication?

Applying for Disability-Related Accommodations &/or Services

- Complete and submit the OSAS (Office of Student Accessibility Services) application. The application is found at: <https://www.ciis.edu/student-resources/accessibility-services>
- Email all disability-related diagnostic documentation to: osas@ciis.edu