



## Temporary Disability

Dealing with a temporary condition, sometimes suddenly, can be a difficult task. We hope the below info gives you some helpful guidance on University procedures and local resources.

- **Academic Accommodations:** To qualify for academic accommodations, we will need a copy of a recent medical statement that identifies your condition, or have your medical personnel complete our physical, sensory or health-related documentation form: <https://www.uwsp.edu/datc/Documents/General%20Disability%20Documentation.pdf>. *It is important that your documentation include any specific restrictions and a timeframe or expected recovery period.*

If you anticipate significant absence from class, please discuss the duration of your absence with your instructors and talk through possible accommodations:

- Availability of PowerPoints, handouts, and other instructional material
  - Make-up of missed exams: DATC can administer make-up exams if you and your instructor's schedules are difficult to coordinate
  - Extension of deadlines on projects, papers, assignments, etc.
  - How they would like you to submit 'late' material (email, Canvas, etc).
- **Transportation and Mobility Equipment:** The University does not operate any transportation or provide personal equipment, however there are community resources that can support transportation and equipment needs. Please consult with these agencies directly to determine eligibility:
    - Midstate Independent Living Choices, 715.344.4210 [milc@milc-inc.org](mailto:milc@milc-inc.org) (various services, equipment loan)
    - Portage County Aging & Disability Resource Center: Loan Closet, 715.346.1401 (power scooters, canes, wheelchairs, crutches, etc.)
    - City Bus: 715.341.4490, <http://stevenspoint.com/index.aspx?NID=258>. Central Transportation offers training and orientation for city bus users.
    - Point Plus ADA ParaTransit: 715.341.4490, <https://stevenspoint.com/261/Point-Plus-ADA-Paratransit>
    - Uber or Lyft Services (download the app) OR Stevens Point/Plover taxi services

*We urge you to discuss your mobility needs with your care provider to identify transportation and equipment resources available through your health care organization, an insurance carrier, or other agencies.*

- **Snow & Ice Removal:** Some mobility limitations are even more impacted by snow or ice. If you want Facility Services staff to prioritize your travel pathways into their snow removal operations, please visit with DATC staff to identify your regular routes and arrival/departure times.



- **Parking:** Generally, accessible parking on campus requires a disabled placard or license plate from the WI Division of Motor Vehicles. A provider form must be submitted to the DMV for a placard or plate to be issued: <https://wisconsin.gov/Pages/dmv/vehicles/dsbl-d-prkg/discards.aspx>. Placard or plate holders can park in:

- A metered stall free of charge
- Any visitor-designated accessible stall for the time indicated on the sign
- Accessible stalls of any lot for which they purchased a parking permit

Please use the Accessibility Campus map to identify accessible parking stalls, permit-only and metered parking, and curb cuts to plan your movement on campus:

<https://www.uwsp.edu/about/Pages/Accessibility-Campus-Map.aspx>

Please contact us if you want more assistance with planning or if you believe your situation requires additional coordination with Parking Services.

- **Storing Personal Belongings:** Hauling books, equipment, and material can be a burden when you are injured or limited physically.
  - Check with academic department offices near your classes to see if they would let you leave books or materials in their area, to lighten your load if you are having difficulty carrying or lifting. Most departments are open Monday-Friday, 7:45 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
  - Albertson Hall: DATC has lockers in their office area (609 ALB). Additionally, the library circulation desk can also store items.
  - Duplicate books: DATC can facilitate the loan of additional copies of any rental texts (pending availability) should you wish to keep a set in your residence and one somewhere on campus.
- **Food:**
  - If you live in a residence hall and are unable to get to a dining location, we suggest you notify your hall director and Dining Services. Dining (715.346.3434) offers a "Bagged Meal Request Form": <https://campus.uwsp.edu/sites/dining/campus/forms/SitePages/Bagged-Meal-Request.aspx>
  - [Trigs](#) and [Metro Market](#) offer grocery delivery (for a fee)
- **Enrollment Cancellation/Withdrawal:** Finally, if your condition results in an unmanageable situation and you feel you cannot continue as a student, please contact the Office of the Registrar (715.346.4301) to discuss cancellation/withdrawal. Student Financial Services (715.346.2118) also administers a tuition appeal process for withdrawal due to extenuating circumstances