Who is DAS?

The Division for Academic Success (DAS) offers **disability** and **academic** support services to students in the VCU Health Sciences schools: Health Professions, Dentistry, Medicine, Nursing and Pharmacy.
What is Considered a Disability?

A physical or mental impairment that substantially limits a major life activity (ie. talking, seeing, hearing, learning, etc).

This includes concerns that are: **Temporary** (ex. TBI and Broken Limbs) and **Long-Term/Lifetime** (ex. Cancer, Hearing Loss, and Mental Health)
What’s the process?

1. Meet with a Learning Specialist to discuss your concerns and needs around accommodations.

2. Obtain & provide documentation from your health care provider.

3. Accommodation letter provided for you to give to your professors.
What do I need to remember?

• Accommodation letters are not retroactive
• Health care providers move at their own speed—start the process early
• Letters can cover academic and clinical settings
• All disclosed information concerning a disability is kept confidential and not part of your official VCU record.
How do we meet?

• Email
• Video Conference (ie. **Zoom**, Google Meet, etc.)
• In person***
• By phone (schedule by email)
Academic Supports

- Study Skills
- Exam/Test-taking Skills
- Note-taking Skills
- Time Management Strategies
- Testing Center
- Tutoring Services
Want to Know More?

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The Division for Academic Success Website – general and specific information about our office, services, and staff
Our DAS Academic Wellness page – specific resources available for you to manage at-home learning and wellness