ADA & Disability Access

The Human Relations & Minority Affairs Office is charged with overseeing and monitoring the College’s compliance with the American’s with Disabilities Act (ADA). Employees of the College with questions about ADA compliance or accessibility issues should contact the Human Relations Office at (843) 953-5580 or via email at diazv@cofc.edu

Accessibility Statement

Individual with disability are encouraged to attend all College of Charleston sponsored events. If you are a person with a disability who requires accommodation in order to participate in a program, please contact (the sponsoring department or contact person*) in advance at (telephone number*).

*Note: Be sure to fill in your sponsoring department name or contact person and telephone number, as it is the responsibility of the sponsoring department which is most familiar with the event to make the necessary accommodations.

The college is required by the American with Disabilities Act (ADA) to inform he public of their rights and protection under the ADA which includes access to reasonable accommodations such as auxiliary aids, interpreters, or other reasonable accommodations while attending College sponsored public events. Therefore, all department publications describing or inviting public participation in programs at the College must also inquire whether participants will need reasonable accommodations in order to participate. The Accessibility statement should be included on publications that invite public participation.

You should be advised that before an accommodation request can be modified or denied, the department must review with the Human Relations office its reason for believing the request should be modified or denied, and the alternatives the department considered in making its assessment. This is to ensure that the College carefully assesses various options before declining to provide accommodations and to ensure consistent application of law. The Disability Accommodation Form is to be used for this purpose by department administrators who receive requests for accommodations, and the College’s response thereto, as well as o provides a means of reviewing such request.

Student Services

Student Disability Services, located in the Lightsey Center, Room B31 handles all student access inquiries. The mission of the Center for Disability Services is to ensure equal access for matriculated students with documented disabilities by considering reasonable accommodation upon request on an individual and flexible basis. For further information about services for students with disabilities, please contact: Bobbie Lindstrom, Director, Center for Disability Services, at 843-953-1431 (Voice), 843-953-8284 (TDD/TTY), 843-953-7731 (Fax) or via email at SNAP@cofc.edu.
Accessible Parking

Employees and students of the College requiring accessible parking or requesting temporary parking accommodations should provide the Parking Services Office, located on the corner of St. Phillips St. and Calhoun St. with a valid College of Charleston ID and Department of Motor Vehicle Handicap Placard. Questions regarding parking should be directed to Parking Services (843) 953-7834 or http://www.cofc.edu/%7Eparking/parking/accessible.html.