

Rights of Students with Disabilities

The College of Charleston and the Graduate School actively and affirmatively seek to accommodate any currently enrolled student with a certified disability according to the regulations established by Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Services for students with disabilities (physical, psychological, learning disabilities, ADD/ADHD) are provided through the Center for Disability Services located in the Lightsey Center, first floor, Rm. 104. The web address is www.cofc.edu/~cds. Telephone number (843) 953-1431 (voice) and Fax: (843) 953-7731. SC Relay System 771 or 1-800-735-2905.

Based on these laws, the College of Charleston assures that all programs and services at the College of Charleston are accessible and reasonable academic accommodations that do not affect essential components of the course will be provided to all qualified students.

Students who believe that a violation of their rights has occurred may discuss their complaint informally with an administrator in the Center for Disability Services. If the issue is not resolved informally, or the student does not wish to pursue the issue on an informal basis, students served by the Center for Disability Services may file a formal grievance. (See "Student Grievance Procedure.")

Students who believe that the adjudication of their complaints was not fair may contact South Carolina Protection and Advocacy (SCP&A), 1569 Sam Rittenberg Blvd., Charleston, S.C. 29407, Voice: (843) 763-8571, Fax: (843) 571-0880. The student may also file a complaint directly with the Office of Civil Rights at the following address: Office for Civil Rights, DC Office, US Department of Education, Customer Service Team, 400 Maryland Ave., SW, Washington, D.C. 20202-1100, (1-800) 421-3481, Fax: (202) 245-6840, OCR@ed.gov or an OCR Electronic Complaint Form may be submitted.
<http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/complaintintro.html>