

Retroactive Accommodation

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What is Retroactive Accommodation?

Retroactive Accommodation is when a student requests accommodation after a scheduled course assessment (e.g., test or assignment) has taken place and where the student has failed to meet performance expectations due to significant disability related impacts. If the student already had an accommodation in place at the time of the course assessment, the student must provide a reasonable explanation for why the accommodations assessed and/or provided was not able to meet the needs of the students due to extenuating circumstances at the time.

Who is eligible to request Retroactive Accommodation?

Students may be eligible to request retroactive accommodation if:

- they were unaware they had a disability at the time of the course assessment and have since received a new diagnosis,
- a new condition emerged, and accommodations were insufficient in addressing functional limitations, and/or
- if a known condition worsened and prevented the student from fully participating in their studies/course assessment

How are Retroactive Accommodations requested?

Students are invited to contact their assigned Accessibility Counsellor to determine if retroactive accommodation can be provided. Each request will be meaningfully considered on an individual case-by-case basis and discussed with the academic area to determine an appropriate resolution.