

# Low Vision or Blindness Documentation Requirements

The University of Alabama Office of Disability Services

Students requesting accommodations on the basis of low vision or blindness must provide documentation consisting of:

1. An ocular assessment or evaluation from an ophthalmologist.
2. A low-vision evaluation of residual visual function, when appropriate.
3. Suggestions as to how the disabling condition(s) may be accommodated.\*
4. All reports must be in narrative form, **typed**, and signed by the physician. Documentation must be submitted on the official letterhead of the professional diagnosing the disability. Chart or clinic notes are not acceptable as documentation.

\*A history of accommodations does not in itself warrant the provision of similar accommodations at UA. The final determination of eligibility for services rests with the University of Alabama.

Email documentation to [ods@ua.edu](mailto:ods@ua.edu) or mail documentation to:

Office of Disability Services  
University of Alabama  
1000 Houser Hall  
Box 870185  
Tuscaloosa, AL 35487-0185

This document will be made available in alternative formats upon request. Please contact the Office of Disability Services, (205) 348-4285 (Voice) or (205) 348-3081 (TTY) for assistance.

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