

LEARNING DISABILITY/ADHD DOCUMENTATION GUIDELINES

For accommodation request based on either a Learning Disability and/or AD/HD, Law Student Services must receive a cognitive-educational evaluation that is no older than 3 years. All cognitive-educational evaluations submitted to Law Disability Services will be subject to review by an independent consultant. If you have any questions concerning your documentation, please contact Law Student Services at lawds@ggu.edu or 415-442-7076.

Learning Disability Tester Qualifications:

Any evaluation must be made by an individual with one of the following qualifications:

- Masters Degree in Learning Disabilities
- Ph.D. in Learning Disabilities or
- Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology or Educational Psychology.

Law Student Services maintains a list of Bay Area evaluators used in the past by GGU students.

Tests for Learning Disability Evaluation

A clinician may choose to give a number of different tests to use to use for diagnostic purposes. GGU School of Law must receive the following test results:

Cognitive tests:

Required: WAIS – IV and/or Woodcock-Johnson III Tests of Cognitive Abilities

Optional addition: Wechsler Memory Scales (most current edition)

Achievement test:

Required: Woodcock-Johnson III Tests of Achievement and/or Wechsler Individual Achievement Test (WIAT)

Optional addition: Wide Range Achievement Test (WRAT) III

The Nelson-Denny Reading Test--required

ADHD Tester Qualifications:

For accommodations on the basis of ADHD, a note from a medical professional alone will not constitute sufficient documentation. A full cognitive-educational evaluation as described above is required. The testing may be done by an evaluator with a Masters degree, but a diagnosis of ADHD may only be made by a specialist with a PhD, MD, or equivalent doctorate degree, such as a psychologist or behavioral doctor.

Tests for ADHD Evaluation

An evaluation for ADHD must include the above tests required for a Learning Disability evaluation *along with* at least two of the following additional tests for ADHD:

Connors' Adult ADHD Rating Scales (CAARS)

Connors' Adult ADHD Diagnostic Interview for DSM-IV (CAADID)

Brown ADD Scales (for Adolescents and Adults)

Stroop Color and Word Test

California Verbal Learning Test