

Mission

- *We discuss our students' learning processes with them to advance their self-acceptance and understanding of learning disabilities and to undo misconceptions about learning disabilities.*
- *We offer instruction, support, and guidance to foster students' skill development and to build on their strengths.*
- *We encourage students to assume responsibility for themselves and their learning, and to meet challenges by using a problem-solving approach.*
- *We engage with students to nurture their development, tailoring our work to each student.*
- *We respect our students' individuality, their needs, and their goals.*

Application Procedure

The LDP offers placement to a limited number of students. To initiate the admissions process, the student must complete the following:

- *application to the University through the Northeastern Admissions Office*
- *application to the LDP (available on our website at: www.northeastern.edu/uhrs/ldp)*

As space is limited, we recommend that students submit their LDP application immediately upon their decision to attend the University.

Here's what to do:

1. Send LDP materials to:

Mary Barrows, Director
Learning Disabilities Program
135 Forsyth Building
Northeastern University
360 Huntington Avenue
Boston, MA 02115

2. Schedule a personal interview.

3. Students who are accepted into the LDP are informed personally by the program director.

Learning Disabilities Program

A comprehensive tutorial program for students with LD and ADD

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Description

The Learning Disabilities Program (LDP) at Northeastern University is a comprehensive tutorial program for students with learning disabilities and attention deficit disorders.

The LDP best serves students who can use individualized support to take action toward their goals and who are committed to improving their academic skills, better understanding their learning disability, and becoming more effective learners.

Each student meets with his or her learning disabilities specialist for two hours weekly. This regular schedule of individual tutorials ensures the dynamic, personal, and intensive character that makes the program successful.

Content for tutorials is drawn directly from the student's course work. Skills addressed can include time management, organization, reading comprehension, expository writing, research and study skills, and self-advocacy.

Please note: Accommodations for students with learning disabilities and attention deficit disorders are provided at no cost by the Disability Resource Center (DRC). Additional information is available at: www.drc.neu.edu or by calling 617.373.2675.

"I've been having great experiences at Northeastern because of the LD Program."

"I think that my academic achievement is better and that I have grown as a student."

"...because I came here two or three times a week, I eventually became self-sufficient. Now I know what to do for myself."

"I always leave the meetings feeling like I can tackle school."

"They totally supported me in everything I've done."

— *Students participating in the LDP*

Required Documentation

Students must submit a recent psychoeducational or neuropsychological evaluation.

The report must include a specific diagnosis, a list of the tests administered, scores, a narrative providing an interpretation of the scores, and recommendations for accommodations and instructional and study strategies.

Based on the student's difficulties, the report must address areas such as attention, perception, language, math, memory, organization, emotional factors, and general intellectual and academic functioning.

Excellent guidelines for obtaining appropriate documentation are available at: www.northeastern.edu/uhrs/ldp. Click on "Documentation & Accommodations."

Fees

For 2009–2010 fall and spring terms, the cost of the LDP is \$2,450 per semester. The fee for a summer term is \$1,300.

Parents should check with their accountants to see if this fee can qualify as a tax deduction. Students filing the financial aid forms should include the annual fees for the LDP in their total educational costs.