HOUSING ACCOMMODATION REQUEST FORM FOR ACCESSIBILITY STUDENTS

Please refer to the *Housing Accommodations Policy for Accessibility Students* for the complete process for requesting disability-related housing accommodations at Russell Sage College. Students must follow these procedures and provide all of the required information in order to be considered for housing accommodations.

- Requests for residence hall accommodations should be made as soon as the student has decided to attend or continue at Russell Sage College.

- Requests need to be submitted each year; they do not carry forward.

**Due Dates:** In order for housing accommodation requests to be reviewed and addressed in a timely manner, students are asked to meet the following due dates if they wish to have accommodations available on the day that residence halls open each semester. Requests submitted after the posted due dates will be reviewed and considered (as space allows), but they cannot be guaranteed to be available at the start of the semester.

- **April 1:** Due date for Continuing Students to Submit Accommodation Request for the following Fall Semester
- **June 1:** Due date for New Incoming Students to Submit Accommodation Request for the following Fall Semester (to allow accommodations to be arranged prior to housing assignments)
- **December 1:** Due date for New and Continuing Students to Submit Accommodation Request for the following Spring Semester

Requests cannot be considered until all three parts of the form have been received by the Office of Accessibility Services. Upon receipt of all three parts of the Housing Accommodations Request Form, the Director of Accessibility Services will review the provided information and documentation and determine if the student meets the criteria for accommodation. Then, the student will be notified of this decision and/or may be asked to provide additional documentation. If the Director of Accessibility Services reviews the request and approves it based on the documentation provided, then the Residence Life Office will be informed of the housing accommodation need. The Residence Life Office will then work directly with the student, as needed, to make the housing accommodation arrangements.

Please contact the Accessibility Services Office with any questions.

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PART I
Name: ________________________________ Date: ______________
Permanent Address: ____________________________
Email: ____________________________ Phone: ______________
1. What is your housing assignment for the semester(s) in which you are seeking accommodation? If you haven’t been assigned a specific room yet, simply identify your campus.
   _____ Albany Campus _____ Troy Campus Building: __________ Room: ______
2. Current Academic Status:  □ First Year □ Sophomore □ Junior □ Senior □ Graduate Student
3. Please indicate in the space below your specific disability that prompts you to seek housing accommodations.
4. If this request is due to a temporary condition, please indicate expected duration. ____________
5. Which housing accommodation(s) are you requesting? (Check all that apply.)
   □ Single Room □ Private Bathroom □ Wheelchair Accessible Unit □ Accessible Building
   □ Flashing Alarm □ Air Conditioned Room/Building
   □ Comfort Animal** Specify Type: ____________________________
   □ Other Specify Accommodation: ____________________________
   **Note: Documentation is required to consider a request to have a comfort animal in Sage housing as a reasonable accommodation for a disability. Such documentation is NOT required for a service animal. See Russell Sage College policy on Service and Comfort Animals for more information.
6. Do you require emergency evacuation assistance?  □ YES* □ NO
   *If yes, please describe the assistance you require:
7. (Optional) If you would like, you may also attach a personal statement describing your condition and your need for each of the accommodations that you are requesting.

Please have a qualified medical or other licensed health care provider complete Part II & Part III of this application. Applications cannot be considered until all three parts are received.

By signing below you certify that the information you have provided is accurate and true, to the best of your knowledge.

Signature: ____________________________ Date: ______________
PART II: CERTIFICATION OF DISABILITY (Completed by qualified licensed healthcare professional)

To the Student: THIS FORM MUST BE FILLED OUT IN ITS ENTIRETY BY YOUR TREATING HEALTH CARE PROVIDER. If this form is completed by anyone other than an appropriate and qualified licensed healthcare professional, the information provided may not be used to support your accommodation request and Russell Sage College reserves the right to request additional documentation. Since a request for additional information can result in a delay in your request for accommodations, you are strongly urged to have the form completed by an appropriate and qualified licensed health care professional who will include all requested information.

To the Evaluator: The student named below has represented that they have a disability which will require a housing accommodation at Russell Sage College. The information you provide will be used to determine the appropriateness of the requested accommodation(s). Please take the time to complete this form and thoroughly answer all questions. We must receive an original form with your signature. We cannot accept substitutions for this and you will be requested to provide supplemental information on official letterhead. Please contact us with any questions. All information provided to us is confidential. With the student’s permission, we may contact you directly for additional information to assist us in making a determination. Part III requires you to provide supplemental information.

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PART II: CERTIFICATION OF DISABILITY (Completed by qualified licensed healthcare professional)

STUDENT NAME: ________________________________

Which housing accommodation(s) are you requesting? (Check all that apply.)
- Single Room
- Private Bathroom
- Wheelchair Accessible Unit
- Accessible Building
- Flashing Alarm
- Air Conditioned Room/Building
- Comfort Animal* Specify Type: ________________
- Other Specify Accommodation: ______________________

HEALTH CARE PROVIDER

Please respond to the following questions.

1. Please identify the physical or mental impairment for which you are treating the student: ______________________

2. Please list date of onset and severity ______________________

3. How long have you been treating the student? ______________________

4. When was the last date of treatment you had with the student? ______________________

5. Please list any current functional limitations and impact on activities of daily living in residence halls: ______________________

6. For each and every accommodation requested in PART I, please describe why the requested accommodation is necessary: ______________________

7. How, if at all, does each requested accommodation impact the current treatment plan for the student? ______________________

8. If single housing or private bathroom is requested, please identify alternative accommodations that would address the student’s needs in the event that the requested accommodation cannot be provided. ______________________

Healthcare Professional Name: ______________________

Professional Licensure: ______________________ State: ____ Number: ______________

Office Address: ______________________

Phone: ______________________ Email: ______________________

Signature: ______________________ Date: ______________________
PART III: LETTER FROM HEALTH CARE PROVIDER
(Completed by qualified licensed healthcare professional)

Health Care Provider:
Please provide a signed separate documentation verification on your letterhead regarding the student listed below.

Student Name: ________________________________

Russell Sage College Office of Accessibility Services and Office of Residence Life require a signed letter to be submitted by a licensed professional treatment provider on their letterhead (i.e., counselor, therapist, physician, etc.).

Treatment providers should have knowledge of the specific diagnosis that the student has had within the previous six months. Criteria required in the letter can be found below.

- Submitted on letterhead of practice
- Credentials and contact information of the evaluator
- Length of time evaluator has treated the student
- Diagnostic statement identifying the disability
- Description of the diagnostic methodology used
- Description of the current functional limitations
- Description of the expected progression or stability of the disability
- Description of current and past accommodations, services and/or medications
- Identify the specific need the requesting student has for the accommodation
- Statement about how the need for the accommodation relates to the ability of the resident student to use the living arrangements provided by the college
- All letters must be signed by your provider and their license number provided.