

ACCESS BUDGET



Your student fees at work.

FY 24

ACCESS (ODS)

- **What does the Office of Disability Services do?**

The role of ODS is to provide reasonable accommodations to ensure that students with disabilities have equal access to Western Oregon University (WOU) based on Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

- **Federal laws provide framework for ODS include the Americans with Disabilities Act, the ADA and the Rehabilitation Act of 1973**

STUDENT FEE FUNDED AREAS

Comparison

Other universities:

The individual IFC funded area would be responsible for funding any accommodations needs. This approach can lead to individuals feeling like a burden to provide accommodations,, which can lead to a less inclusive approach.

WOU:

- Access is allocated funding to address accommodation needs for all areas who receive IFC funding. This approach can lead to a more inclusive experience for those requesting accommodations.

ACCESS

- Funding required to ensure IFC funded areas are accessible to people with disabilities and ensure WOU stays inclusive to PWD.
- Access (ODS) provides accommodations, upon request and will work with other departments if needed.
- Providing accessibility for web / digital content is increasing.
 - Further discussion will be needed on how to approach this.
- IFC funding usage:
 - Any funds not used for accommodations in the are returned to the IFC reserve.
 - Unexpected increase in accommodations requests beyond the projected amount, will need to be funded by the IFC reserve.

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FY 25 Request

Other Professional Services (Interpreters and Typewell transcribers) + OPE	\$15,844
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Overhead & fees	\$1,173
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Total Request	\$17,017
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No cut package provided

- Required to provide the accommodations
- Can be reduced if IFC decides to do so, but if expenses for accommodations go beyond the amount allocated IFC will need to use reserves

