

STUDENT SUPPORT and DISABILITY RESOURCES & SERVICES
DEPARTMENT WITHIN STUDENT AFFAIRS
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Assistive Technology Devices & Hardware

Smartpen: A Smartpen is a high-tech writing tool that records spoken words and synchronizes them with notes written on special paper which then goes to an app on your phone for later review and editing. Livescribe 3 and Aiger Smartpens work with a smartphone app via Bluetooth. DRS Office signs out Smartpens for one semester, requests are granted based on availability. To learn more about the Smartpen click on the following link: youtube.com/aiger_smartpen/omar_Correa.

Voice Recorder: allow students to save the audio component of lecture for later review in order to focus on classroom lecture and discussions. Students can record entire lectures without taking up space on their phones, and are able to transfer audio files to their personal computers. DRS Office signs out Voice Recorders for one semester, requests are granted based on availability.

Alternative Format Textbooks: for students who may struggle with reading and comprehension. They are an electronic (usually PDF or EPUB) version of books loaded onto a thumb drive, typically provided by the student. Students can use the digital version in Kurzweil, Jaws, Adobe Read, Zoomtext, etc. The book can be read out loud via different programs, or can simply be used to enlarge print for students with visual impairments. DRS Office signs out Alternative Format Textbooks only after students show proof of original book purchase. All Copyright laws apply.

FM System: for students with hearing impairments.

This device helps an individual hear audio from electronics and classroom lectures. It allows students to amplify volume through the use of a presenter microphone and user receiver for an all-inclusive listening experience. The instructor wears a microphone and the student wears either a loop or earbuds. The sound is sent directly to the student who can adjust the volume based on their needs and learning environment. DRS Office signs out FM Systems to students for one semester.

CART: for students with hearing impairments.

CART stands for Communication Access Real-time Translation. A captioner (CART provider) uses a court reporting stenography machine, a computer and software to display everything that is being said, word for word. For remote CART services, the captioner is offsite and the text appears on the computer or screen at your location. Students will receive a complete transcript of the material presented will be available to retrieve from their Maricopa student email.

These devices and hardware are available for registered DRS students only. All students must provide documentation regarding the functional limitations which render any assistive technology necessary. All final decisions are made by DRS staff. Students are financially responsible for all equipment that is checked out to them. Lost or damaged equipment will result in replacement or purchase costs being charged to the student's school account.

