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## **Deaf or Hard of Hearing**

Documentation requirements for an individual requesting services due to a partial or complete hearing loss must be completed by an otolaryngologist, otologist, or other medical specialist with the experience or expertise in the domain for which they are diagnosing. Audiologists may also provide current audiograms. Comprehensive documentation must be submitted that includes:

1. A clear statement of deafness or hearing loss;
2. Results of a current audiogram with a narrative interpretation;
3. A summary of assessment procedures and evaluation instruments used to make the diagnosis;
4. Medical information relating to the status of the individual's hearing (static or changing);
5. A description of the functional impact or limitations the hearing loss may have on learning or other major life activity relevant to the academic experience;
6. A statement addressing the individual's requested accommodation(s) taking into account the preferred method of communication, and include a rationale as to why these accommodation(s) are warranted;
7. A statement regarding the use of hearing aids (if appropriate) or other corrective measures that may or may not mitigate the impairment.