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Welcome SSC Students!
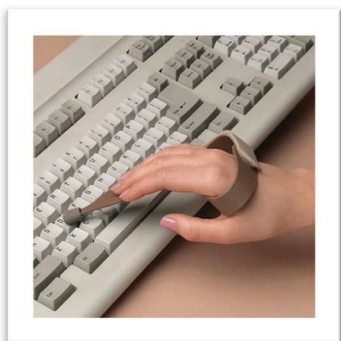### SSC NASNTI Access Lab coming soon!

One of the main objectives of the NASNTI grant program is to focus on helping students in the classroom. For starters, NASNTI has established an Access Lab on campus to provide flexible access to computers equipped with assistive devices and software for students who identify with a disability. What is an assistive device?

According to the Organization for Autism Research, you might find assistive technologies helpful if you need extra help academically in college, whether with taking notes in class, writing a paper, or studying for a test. Assistive technologies include devices or programs that help people with challenges related to their disability.

During the fall 2022-2023 academic year, NASNTI will offer assistive devices to students who identify with a disability to help them with their courses. What classifies a student with a disability?

According to the ADA National Network, an organization that supplies information, training, and guidance regarding the Americans with Disability Act, states, *ADA defines a person with a disability as a person who has a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities.* During spring 2023, join the NASNTI staff in the grand opening of the Access Lab! View accessibility devices and tools available to make your academic journey successful!

Assistive Technology Devices used in the NASNTI Access Lab

Slip On Typing Keyboard Aid

A typing aid designed especially for people with limited grasp! The aid provides those who cannot access the keyboard with their fingers.
(Slip On Aid only available for right hand).

Adjustable Height Work Table

A worktable that offers cost-effective height adjustment and ample knee space to accommodate adults who use wheelchairs.

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NASNTI Assistive Technology Device Loaner Program

NASNTI will strengthen support for online students with disabilities by training faculty and staff in best practices, implementing/offering new assistive devices and technology, and redesigning foundational courses.

Throughout the five years, the program will also develop and pilot new services, resources, and opportunities to promote holistic student development that will support students' persistence through college and prepare them for their next steps in higher education and, ultimately, their careers. As an initiative, NASNTI has established a device loaner program.

Only 3 Available for Fall Semester!

The C Pen Reader

Scanningpens.com, one of the largest supplies of mobile pens in the world, supplies the C-Pen Reader pen scanner, a major technological breakthrough for anyone learning English, Spanish, or French and is a life-saver for those who suffer from reading difficulties such as dyslexia. The C-Pen Reader is a totally portable, pocket-sized device that reads text out aloud with an English, Spanish, or French human-like digital voice. **Visit your Brightspace page and click on <u>C-Pen Reader Pen Video</u> to gain an in-depth look at the C Pen Reader.** *Image from good-e reader*

How to Take Care of Your Device

<u>**Do not**</u> leave assistive technology devices unattended.

<u>**Do not**</u> leave assistive technology devices in cars.

<u>**Do not**</u> leave assistive technology devices in plain view in homes or leave them in an unlocked home or garage.

<u>**Do**</u> leave assistive technology devices in locked cabinets or locked offices within school buildings.

<u>**Do**</u> keep assistive technology device information password-protected (if applicable).

<u>**Protect**</u> from liquids or dampness and extreme temperatures (i.e., do not leave in a truck or car for long periods of time.

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