

STUDENT DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER



WHAT IS A DISABILITY?

The Americans with Disabilities Act as Amended (ADAAA) 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."

- Learning Disability (Reading, Writing, Math related)

 - ADD/ADHD

 - Autism Spectrum Disorder

- Visual and Hearing Impairments

 - Physical Impairments

 - Mental Health

(non-exhaustive list)

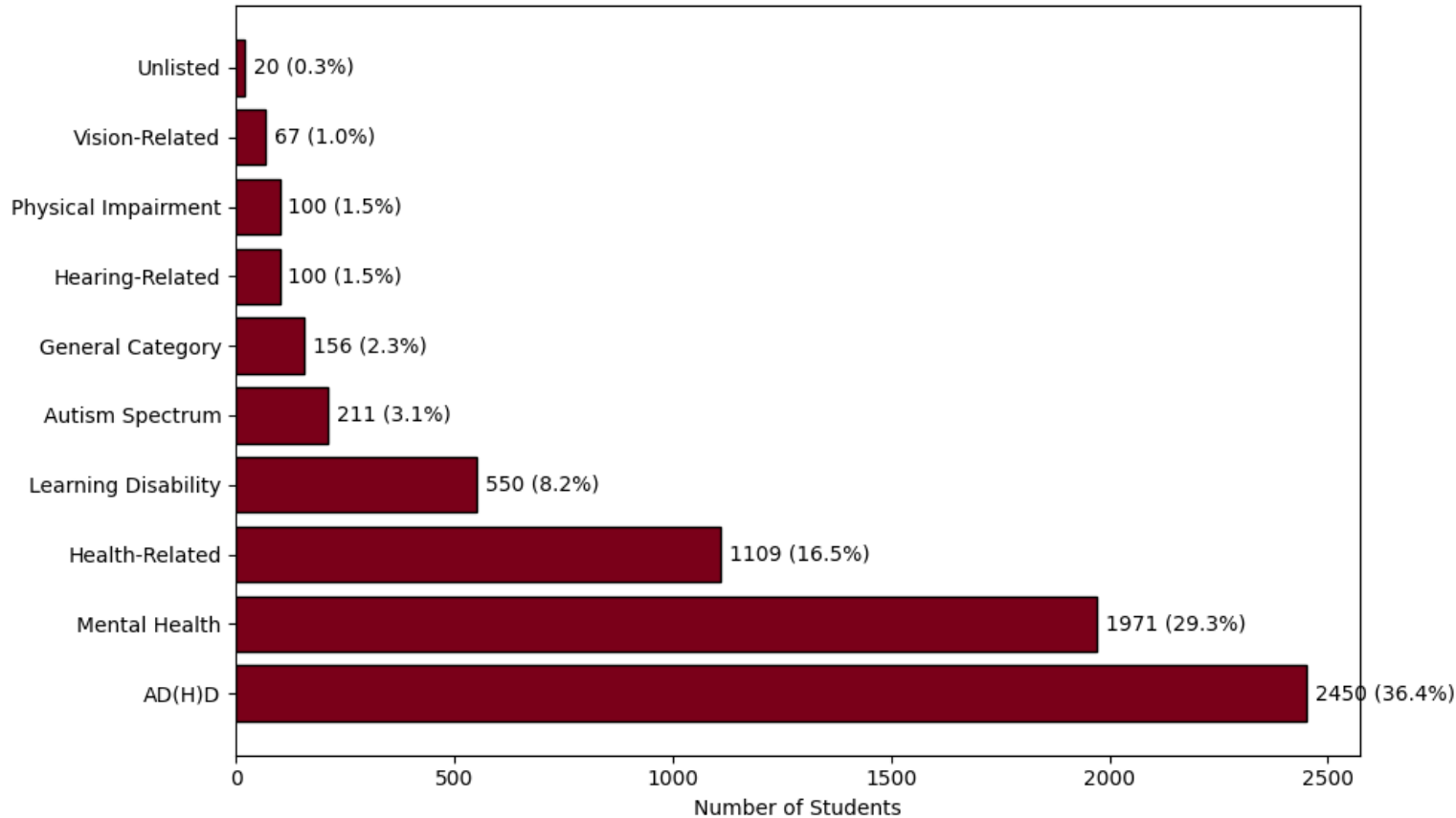
*Not all students with disabilities are registered with our office.



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SDRC DATA for Spring 2026: Disability Types

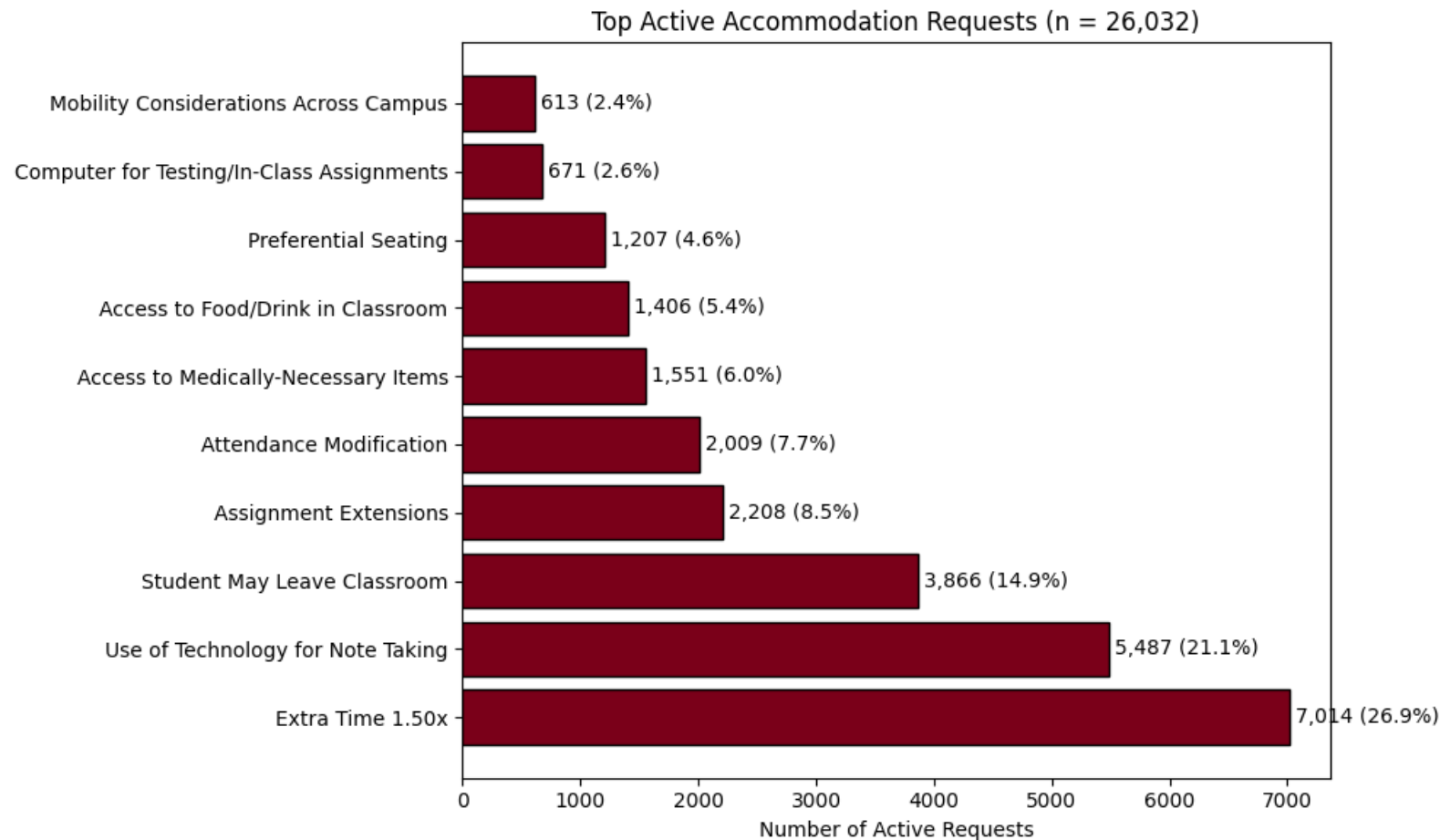
Primary Disability Groups - Counts and Percentages



- 3 Most Common:**
1. ADD/ADHD
 2. Mental Health
 3. Health Related



SDRC DATA for Spring 2026: Accommodations

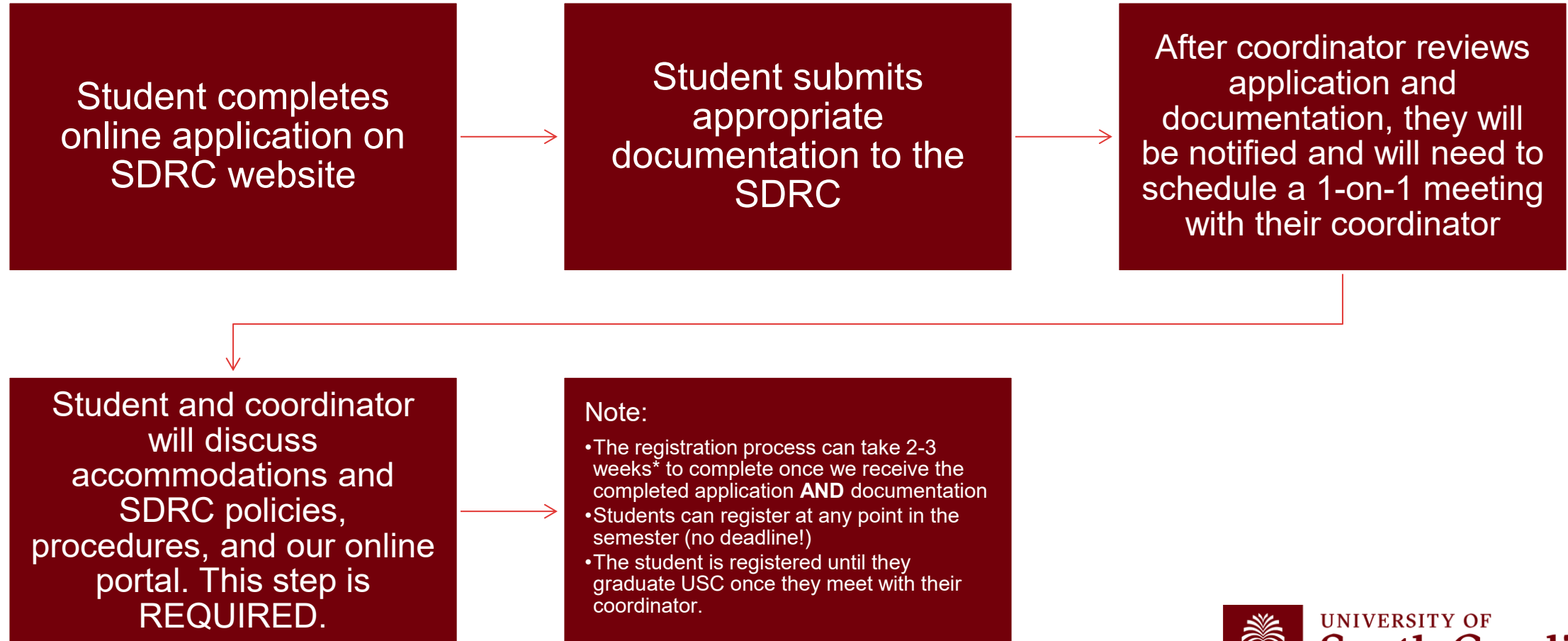


3 Most Common:

1. Extra Test Time
2. Use of Technology for notetaking
3. May leave classroom/ step out



REGISTRATION PROCESS



EXAMPLES OF ACCOMMODATIONS

Alternative Testing

- Extended Time on exams (1.5x or 2x)
- Provides a quiet, distraction-free space to take exams and quizzes
- Allows the student to step away to access the restroom, food, drink, and/or medically necessary items with ease
- Students' personal belongings are locked up in lockers during their exam period to prevent issues of academic integrity

Notetaking assistance

- Assistive technology devices to record lectures

Use of laptop for in-class assignments/exams

Alternative Format

- Text to Speech or Speech to Text
- Braille
- Large Font

Preferential Seating

Ability to step out of the classroom



EXAMPLES OF MODIFICATIONS

Foreign Language Substitution

- Pass/Fail or course substitution (no exemptions)
- This option depends on approved accommodations and history of attempts
- Having the foreign language placement must be done by sophomore/junior year

Reduced Credit Load

- Lessens the number of credit hours attempted during a specific semester (<15, >9)
- To manage diagnoses, symptoms, medication changes, etc. & course load to the best of their abilities
- Still eligible for financial aid and scholarships, does not extend the life of the scholarship
- Requested on a semesterly basis
- Students fill this out for ANY number of credits under 15 per semester



OUR LOCATION

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 - Located under the 'For Faculty and Staff' section of our website
 - www.sc.edu/disabilityresourcecenter
- Complete a Virtual Drop-In form
 - Located on our main website page

