Learning Disability (LD) and Attention Deficit – Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) Testing

Many factors can influence your attention, concentration, and academic performance. CAPS at FGCU offers psychological testing services that help you determine which factors are most relevant for understanding your current concerns. In particular, we offer formalized testing for college students that not only assesses for the presence of Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD), and Learning Disorders, but also considers how various lifestyle and psychological factors may be contributing to your current difficulties.

Why get tested?
Generally, college students request LD &/or ADHD testing because the student is and has been experiencing academic difficulties. This may include trouble with reading or math, feeling easily distracted, poor memory, or other issues that keep college students from achieving all they can. Testing helps identify a student’s cognitive strengths and weaknesses. Diagnostic testing also serves as documentation for LD or ADHD accommodations and support. Undergoing testing does not guarantee any specific result, accommodation, or medication. Students not enrolled at FGCU are not eligible to receive ongoing services (such as, counseling or psychiatric services).

Testing Overview
The day of testing (approximately 6 hours) explores aptitude, achievement, and information processing. College students interested in LD or LD/ADHD testing should schedule a consultation at CAPS. If testing is indicated, the student will be asked to provide items that will assist in the evaluation process. These may include:

- Self-report of symptoms
- Observer reports of symptoms (generally, these are from a parent and a teacher)
- Evidence of history of symptoms dating back several years (report cards or letters from elementary of middle school teachers may provide this data)
- Previous academic evaluations, testing reports, &/or medical evaluations
- Report of personal and family history
- All paperwork given by the examiner (including personal history, consent, and common concerns)

Fees
Evaluation for learning disability and ADHD is available to college students at a reduced rate from the prevailing rate in private sector. The cost for the learning disability battery is $550; the cost of the LD/ADHD battery is $650. ADHD evaluation will not be administered separately from LD. No-show or late cancel (less than 24 hours’ notice) appointments will be charged $45 and may be rescheduled once.

Accommodations
If you are seeking accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act, the state of Florida requires documentation of the disability. CAPS testing standards meet state as well as national testing requirements for students with LD and ADHD (see ets.org/disability for examples). We are not able to provide testing that conforms with LSAT requirements. Our testing meets the standards for all other graduate school testing groups (GRE, MAT, MCAT, etc.).

Call (239) 590-7950 for a free consultation to see if LD/ADHD testing is right for you.