

Postsecondary education

Preparing for postsecondary school in the fall? What do I need to know about becoming a Bookshare member to access content?



A step to ensure a smooth transition to postsecondary studies

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HumanWare is pleased to announce a focused presentation on transitioning to postsecondary studies. We'll be looking at transitioning from high school to postsecondary studies. This will also be of interest to people currently enrolled in postsecondary studies. This webinar will be presented by Brenda McBride, Product Manager for the ClassMate Reader in conjunction with Cherie Miller from Bookshare. We will also take a look at what individuals will need in order to access services from Bookshare while pursuing postsecondary studies.



Tuesday August 4, 2009 23:00 (UTC) Coordinated Universal Time

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Location: Webinar through the HumanWare weblink.



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Topics discussed will include:

- How do I become a member of Bookshare after leaving high school?
- If I'm already a postsecondary student, what do I need to have in place to access Bookshare services?
- As a person with a disability, why would I want to have a Bookshare membership?
- What documentation do I need to have in place to become a member?
- Is there a form to fill out? Where can I find it?
- What is the best way to search for available textbooks in my area of study?
- What questions do I need to ask the disability resource office to receive alternative format textbooks?
- What kind of Alternative formats are out there?
- What options are out there to read Bookshare material?
- Is there software available to read Bookshare files?
- Questions and Answers

Future presentation:

Transitioning to Postsecondary – learn how disability-related legislation impacts your rights and the responsibilities of post-secondary institutions. Also, learn about resources you can access for a seamless transition.

Guest speaker: Nina Ghiselli, PsyD

Thursday August 20, 2009

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19:00 (UTC) Coordinated Universal Time

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Webinar Presentation

Discussion will include information on legislation and services that are provided by the Disability Resource Office. Take a closer look at how to access textbooks and resources in an accessible format. Answering questions regarding what colleges can do to help ensure smooth transition?

If you have any questions, please forward them to Brenda.mcbride@humanware.com before August 17, 2009.

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