## Disability & Neurodiversity

# THIS ROWAN PROF...

- Recognizes that human diversity is natural and valuable
- Dismantles barriers that deny meaningful access
- Rejects ableist practices that segregate and marginalize
- Realizes disability experiences are intersectional
- Understands work toward inclusion as perpetual

### **URGENT ISSUES**

Students of color and bilingual students are overrepresentated in special education

<u>NJ remains one of the least inclusive</u> states for students with disabilities

Students with disabilities face systemic barriers to <u>higher education</u> and <u>employment</u>.

#### FOLLOW

- <u>Disability Visibility Project</u>, online community dedicated to disability culture
- <u>Understood</u>, nonprofit offering educational resources
- <u>Autistic Self-Advocacy Network</u>, national grassroots disability rights organization

### **REACH OUT, LEARN MORE**

#### CED Faculty

- Dr. Casey Woodfield (she/her/hers)
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#### University Resources

- <u>Center for Neurodiversity</u>
- <u>Autism PATH</u>
- <u>Accessibility Services</u>
- Inclusive Pedagogy & Practices Certificate



Image of Disability Pride Flag

#### **DID YOU KNOW...**

- New Jersey requires schools to adopt disability inclusive curricula (<u>NJ S1569</u>)
- Educational & employment rights of students with disabilities are legally protected under <u>IDEA</u>, <u>ADA</u>, and <u>Section 504</u>
- There are varied <u>language preferences in the</u> <u>disability community regarding identity</u>

## READ UP/WATCH

- <u>Crip Camp</u> documentary about the disability rights movement
- The legacy of Judy Heumann, disability rights activist
- <u>Videos</u> from the Center for Neurodiversity
- <u>LRC-South's</u> inclusive education resources

Scan the QR code to access these resources and/or email the DIA Committee!





