How to Initiate a Flex Plan

The Flex Plan is a feature that helps facilitate two accommodations: Flexibility in Class Attendance Requirements and Assignment Due Dates Extended as Needed. Instructors are responsible for initiating these plans when an eligible student requests one of these accommodations. **Please do not include any confidential information in these agreements.** Log in to the MyDSO Faculty Portal by clicking here to get started.

1. Enter your RIT username and password to log in to the system.



Image description: a screenshot of the login screen for the Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT). It includes fields for entering a Username and Password, along with a 'Login' button. There are also links for 'Forgot Username?', 'Forgot Password?', and a note to contact the RIT Service Center for assistance.



2. Complete the multi-factor authentication using Duo. Visit rit.edu/its/mfa to set up Duo multi-factor authentication if needed.

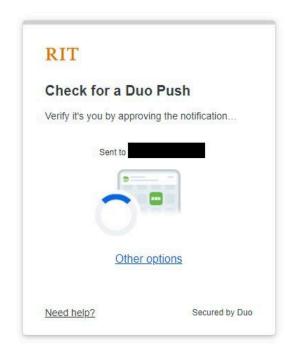


Image description: a screenshot of a two-factor authentication screen. It prompts the user to "Check for a Duo Push" and verify their identity by approving the notification on their smartphone. The screen includes a visual of a smartphone with a green checkmark, options for "Other options," and a link for "Need help?" at the bottom.

3. Click on the link titled "Flex Plan" on the left hand side of your screen.

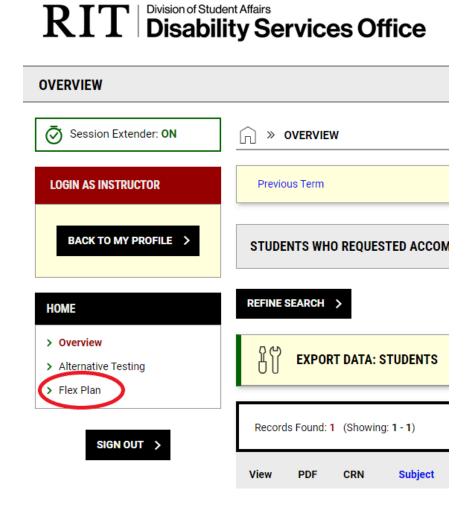


Image description: a screenshot of the MyDSO Faculty Portal. It features various buttons and tabs, such as "Alternative Testing" and "Flex Plan" which is circled in red for emphasis.



4. You will be redirected to a page showing requests for Flex Plans from students. Note, you will only be able to see this if a student is eligible for this accommodation AND has sent in a request.

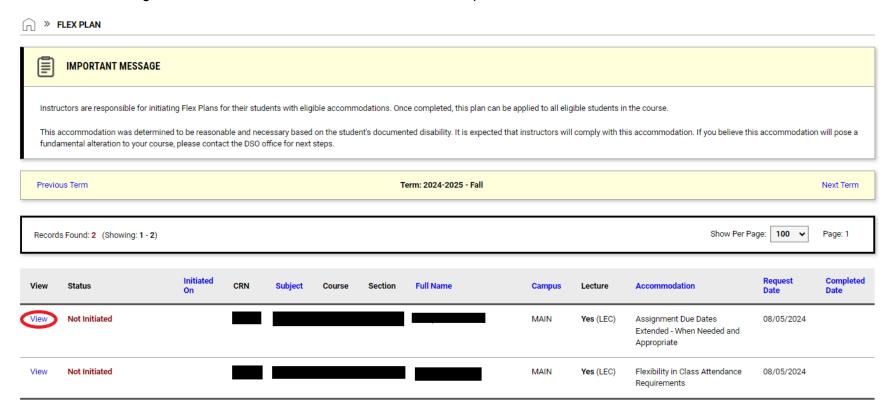


Image description: a screenshot of the Flex Plan feature. It includes navigation tabs for "Previous Term" and "Next Term," and displays two records with the status "Not Initiated." The columns provide details such as 'Initiated On,' 'Subject,' 'Course Number,' 'Full Name,' 'Lecturer,' 'Accommodation Type,' 'Request Date,' and 'Completed Date.' Some information is redacted for privacy.



5. Complete the Questionnaire keeping in mind that any denial of flexibility must be solely based on pedagogical reasons related to the goals of the course. Please include a copy of your syllabus for this course. You will have the option to apply this Flex Plan to all eligible students in your course or all eligible students in all of your courses.

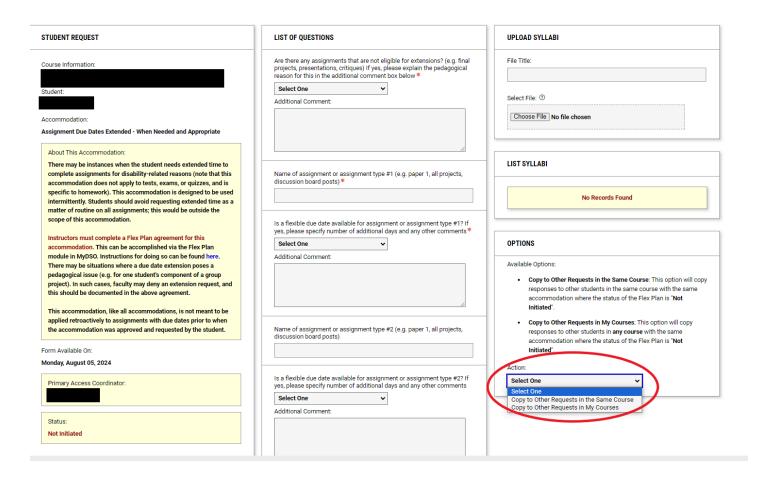


Image description: a screenshot of the Flex Plan questionnaire. It includes sections for student requests, a list of questions, and options to upload a syllabus. The most prominent feature is a red oval highlighting the option to select one objective from a list.



6. Click the button labeled "INITIATE AND REQUEST REVIEW." This will send a copy of the agreement to the DSO staff who will review it before releasing it to the student for review. DSO staff will reach out to you if there are any questions or concerns.

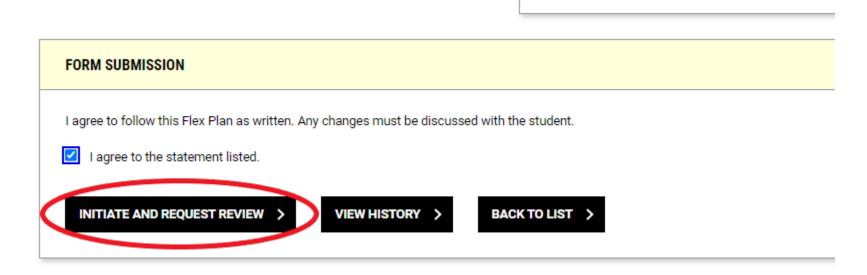


Image description: a screenshot of the form submission interface with three buttons labeled "INITIATE AND REQUEST REVIEW," "VIEW HISTORY," and "BACK TO LIST." "INITIATE AND REQUEST REVIEW" is circled in red for emphasis. Above the buttons, there is a statement that reads, "I agree to follow this Flex Plan as written. Any changes must be discussed with the student," with a checkbox next to it.



7. You will see the status of the agreement change. You can check the status at any time.

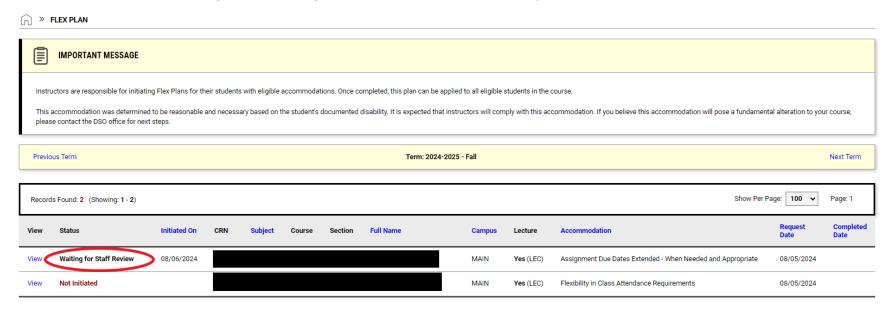


Image description: a screenshot of the Flex Plan feature. It includes navigation tabs for "Previous Term" and "Next Term," and displays two records; the one labeled with the status "Waiting for Staff Review" is circled in red for emphasis. The other record is labeled "Not Initiated." The columns provide details such as 'Initiated On,' 'Subject,' 'Course Number,' 'Full Name,' 'Lecturer,' 'Accommodation Type,' 'Request Date,' and 'Completed Date.' Some information is redacted for privacy.



8. Once the agreement has been reviewed by DSO staff, it will be sent to the student for review. Please note, students do have the option to write comments in the Flex Plan, but cannot make changes without instructor approval. The agreement will continue to go back and forth until there is consensus.

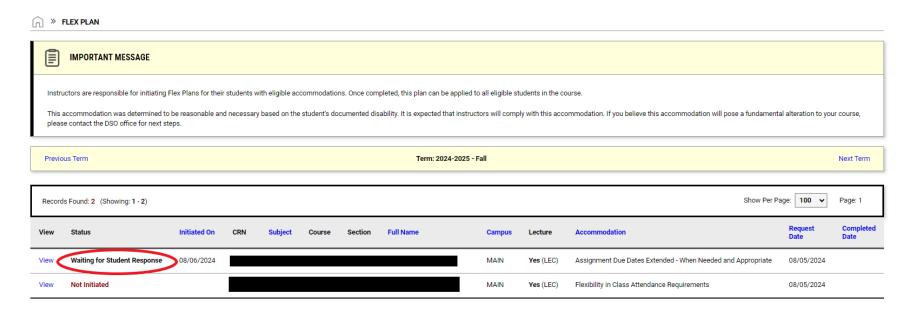


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9. Once the student has accepted the plan, the status will change to "Completed." Both the instructor and student will be able to view a copy of this at any point in the semester.

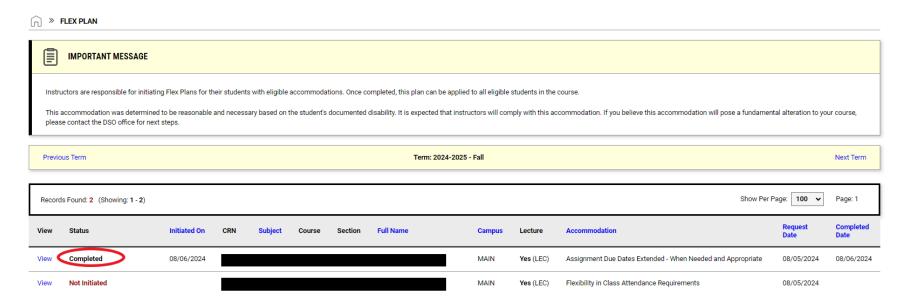


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