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Disability Awareness Day Simulates Handicaps for Real Results

Willimantic, CT-- The Office of AccessAbility Services will be hosting its first annual Disability Awareness Day on Oct. 25. The program will be an all-day event and is in need of volunteers! Volunteers will be part of this event by role playing as blind, deaf, using a wheelchair, or having a simulated amputation. Other volunteers will provide support for those simulating a disability. Participants with simulated disabilities will be provided with appropriate accommodations, e.g. if you are simulating someone who is blind, another volunteer will lead you around, write for you etc.

The Office of AccessAbility Services is seeking volunteers from faculty and staff as well as students. Participants will be invited to have breakfast with President David G. Carter on the morning of the event. At the conclusion of the program, participants are invited to join in a pizza dinner and participate in a discussion to reflect upon the day's events. If you are interested in participating please contact Megan or Erin at (860) 465-0272 or stop by AccessAbility Services.

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Eastern Connecticut State University is part of the Connecticut State University (CSU) system and is the state's public liberal arts university. ECSU serves more than 5,000 students each year on its Willimantic campus.

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It is the policy of Eastern Connecticut State University to ensure equal access to its events. If you are an individual with a disability and will need accommodations for this event, please contact the Office of University Relations at (860) 465-5735.