## **AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA)**

Athena Career Academy is committed to providing educational services to students with disabilities as required by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (both as amended).

Athena Career Academy will provide reasonable accommodation for qualified students with disabilities. To be eligible for a reasonable accommodation (or academic adjustment), the student must have:

- 1. A disability (as defined by applicable law) that substantially limits a major life activity and subsequently necessitates accommodation.
- 2. Documentation on file with Athena Career Academy that supports the need for the requested documentation; and
- 3. Medical documentation that substantiates the disability and how the accommodation will assist the student.

Qualified students with disabilities seeking reasonable accommodation are responsible for initiating contact with the Program Director to request appropriate reasonable accommodation. Please note the following:

- Essential program outcomes, course objectives, and/or skill competency achievement standards cannot be substantially lowered, waived, or otherwise modified as accommodations.
- Any modifications in the manner in which a course, lab, and/or clinical is conducted are
  restricted to changes in the format of instruction or evaluation. Such modifications must not
  substantially lower the essential academic standards or modify basic content of the course,
  lab, and/or clinical.
- No accommodation may be made prior to the notification of disability and the submission of documentation. Students must identify themselves with the Program Director or designee and provide the required documentation at least 30 days in advance of the start of the accommodation being requested.
- It is the student's responsibility to ensure that documentation meeting the published requirements is submitted 30 days prior to the start of the accommodation(s). If the accommodation provided does not meet the student's needs, it is the responsibility of the student to notify the Program Director as soon as possible.