



Blind & Vision Rehabilitation Services of Pittsburgh



At The Computer ...

... with the **Access Technology Center**

Our newest instructor is Tracey Morsek, who came to ATC in 2011 after a nearly 30-year career in libraries for the blind and physically handicapped. Tracey provides individualized instruction on ZoomText, MAGic, Kurzweil 1000, OpenBook, JAWS and other accessible software. She also develops curricula and assessment tools, evaluates clients, and researches solutions to meet clients' needs.

Tracey has a bachelor's degree in information science and master's degree in library science. Prior to joining the ATC staff, she worked at the Carnegie Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, serving in a variety of capacities, including book selector, computer system administrator and assistant director. She also served as director of the Iowa Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped. In both libraries, Tracey oversaw the assistive technology provided for public use.



Tracey's familiarity with accessible reading materials has helped her to connect with college-bound students who come to ATC to evaluate appropriate equipment and services.

"After so many years in the field, I recognize that many freshmen underestimate the amount of reading that college will require," she says. "I make sure they are aware of the accessible textbook resources that are available to them, as well as the various digital players and optical character recognition programs, to ensure that they will be prepared to deal with textbooks, journal articles and even classroom handouts. "

A recent ATC student commented: "Tracey was a wonderful instructor... She made sure that each day was educational yet fun with her energetic and friendly personality. She has great technology skills, I feel that I've learned many things from her. Thanks for this wonderful opportunity!"