



Ongoing Support for Disability or Medical Condition – Student Guidance

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Introduction

The Disability and Dyslexia Support Team in Student Support and Wellbeing is available to all students who have a disability, long-term medical condition or specific learning disability. **Students should register with this service at the earliest opportunity to ensure that an assessment can be undertaken and support mechanisms can be identified and put in place when assessed as appropriate.**

Key points

1. Provides assistance with applications for the Disabled Students' Allowance (DSA)
2. A Support Worker Service is available for help in arranging appropriate support in lectures, seminars, tutorials, laboratory and field work etc. This can include the use of note-taking support, readers, communication and technical support.
3. Appropriate support and other adjustments to learning and assessment arrangements are identified in consultation with the Disability and Dyslexia Support Team and the Faculty. This results in construction of a document 'Disabled Student's Support Recommendations'. This is the University's vehicle for ensuring appropriate adjustments are made.
4. It is important to recognise that PEC Claims are not for disability, long-term medical conditions, or a specific learning disability unless there has been an unforeseen acute flare-up of the condition that affected an assessment. **If a student does not contact the Disability and Dyslexia Support Team about a disability, long-term medical condition, or specific learning disability, which they feel, is affecting their academic performance, this may be taken into account in any subsequent PEC claim.**

Supporting information

[Policy on Alternative forms of assessments for disability](#)

[Disability and Dyslexia support team web page](#)

[Welfare and health support team web page](#)

[Counselling and mental health support team web page](#)

[Students' Union welfare web page](#)