

# Disability Support

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**Disability Support Allowance** – non-repayable government support to cover study-related costs you have because of a mental health problem, long-term illness or any other disability.

Support depends on individual needs and not household income. You can receive a DSA on its own or in addition to other student finance.

Examples of what you can get support for:

- Specialist equipment: a computer if you need one because of your disability
- Non-medical helpers: BSL interpreter etc.
- Extra travel to attend your course

Visit the [gov.uk](https://www.gov.uk) website to find full eligibility and apply online

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**Disability Action Plan** – a plan developed with the student and University Disability Service with reasonable adjustments and exam arrangements for the student.

Unlike at school, students are expected to work with disability services and communicate any changes in their circumstances. Some universities will send emails to students who have declared a disability on their UCAS application to start the process.

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Many universities will have inclusive teaching and learning practices such as mandatory recording of lectures and giving access to PowerPoints and resources so that students can look back later if needed.

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University managed accommodation will always have accessible options. If this is something that would be needed there will be space on the application form or someone to contact to discuss the different options and ensure that you are comfortable.

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