

Fact sheet 2:

Students with medical conditions

Medical conditions include asthma, cerebral palsy, multiple sclerosis, muscular dystrophy, AIDS, cancer and also psychiatric conditions such as mood-related disorders, psychoses and substance control.

Medical conditions may affect any of the following:

- mobility
- concentration
- memory
- study time due to illness
- energy
- motivation
- attendance
- communication
- organisational skills
- pain level
- other factors depending upon the specific nature of the impairment

There are reasonable adjustments that may be made to teaching, learning and assessment practices by tertiary providers to assist students with disabilities. Listed below are examples of the different supports and accommodations that may be available.

Tick the boxes that best meet your study needs:

- lecture material in advance
- essential reading lists in advance
- flexibility in assignment deadlines
- flexibility in attendance requirements
- an alternative to group work
- alternative course assessment
- taped lectures
- lectures available in print or on disk
- a break during lectures
- enrolment assistance
- housing or accommodation assistance
- parking assistance
- media services assistance
- library assistance
- assistance at food or beverage outlets
- laboratory assistance
- alternative exam arrangements (Disability Adviser)
- specialised equipment (Disability Adviser)
- ergonomically designed furniture (Disability Adviser)
- support staff (Disability Adviser)
- other: _____

To find out more about the different supports and accommodations available at your tertiary provider contact disability staff for a confidential chat.

Refer to Worksheet 5: Questions to ask the Disability Liaison Officer or Student Support Officer, Worksheet 7: Key questions and Worksheet 4: Understanding your study requirements, all of which complement this Fact Sheet.