

Fact sheet 6:

Students with hearing impairment

Hearing impairments can range from partial loss of hearing to total deafness.

Hearing impairments may affect any of the following:

- communication
- speech
- vocabulary
- participation
- group work
- response frequency
- time required to complete tasks
- accessing information
- recording information
- receiving information
- 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:

- lecturers and tutors to speak a little slower
- people to face me when speaking

- lecture material in advance
- essential reading lists in advance
- flexibility in assignment deadlines
- possible alternative course assessment
- appropriate notification of last minute organisational changes
- a change to lecture or tutorial venue
- lecture material in print or on disk
- key concepts to be written on the board
- more use of visual aids during lectures
- enrolment assistance
- housing or accommodation assistance
- media services assistance
- library assistance
- assistance at food or beverage outlets
- alternative exam arrangements (Disability Adviser)
- specialised equipment (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.