

Regulations for providing support to the disabled at the Wrocław University of Environmental and Life Sciences

General rules

§ 1

1. The Wrocław University of Environmental and Life Sciences, hereinafter referred to as the “University”, is required to provide disabled students, PhD students, employees and candidates to study at the Wrocław University of Environmental and Life Sciences with conditions allowing them to fully participate in the University admission process, receive education, execute study programme on equal terms and conduct research, taking into account the disability degree and nature as well as the specificity of a given field of study, specialization and research.
2. The following individuals may apply for the University support (non-material assistance to disabled students/PhD students):
 - a) students, PhD students of the Wrocław University of Environmental and Life Sciences at the time of receiving decision on granting support,
 - b) holders of a valid certificate of disability, issued by an authorized body, or individuals without such a certificate who turned to the Rector’s Proxy for the Disabled and obtained permission for support, by presenting a relevant document confirming their disability.
3. Disabled students and PhD students are also entitled to a statutory scholarship for the disabled. The above applies only to holders of current disability certificate. The scholarship amount depends on disability degree and income per family member and is announced in the Rector’s order. The required documents are available at:
https://www.upwr.edu.pl/studenci/16960/wzory_drukow_zwiazane_ze_stypendium_specjalnym_dla_osob_niepelnosprawnych.html
4. Disabled candidates to study at the Wrocław University of Environmental and Life Sciences, students and PhD students applying for admission to the University should be informed at the enrolment stage about requirements in individual fields of study, especially when class schedule includes field or laboratory classes that must be attended.

Forms of support for the disabled

§ 2

1. The Wrocław University of Environmental and Life Sciences, to the extent possible, must ensure appropriate conditions allowing the disabled to participate in classes by:
 - a) providing classrooms adjusted to the needs and capabilities of disabled students,
 - b) renting specialist equipment supporting the activity of students with various types of disability,

- c) helping disabled students commute to classes covered by current study programme (application for assistance in commuting is available here: link – *redirection to Attachment No. 1*),
 - d) rendering an assistant service to disabled students/PhD students (*rules for rendering an assistant service to disabled students is available here: link to Attachment No. 2*) to help them perform actions that they would not be able to perform independently, and that are necessary in the academic environment (application for employing an assistant to the disabled is available here: link – *redirection to Attachment No. 3*),
 - e) other assistance depending on the type of disability.
2. Support is provided at a justified request of a disabled student/PhD student sent to the Rector's Proxy for the Disabled at: pełnomocnik.niepelnosprawni@upwr.edu.pl
 3. Decision to grant support is made of the Vice-Rector for Student Affairs and Education upon the Rector's authorisation.

§ 3

1. At the request of disabled students/PhD students, dean of the relevant faculty/head of PhD studies, in consultation with the Rector's Proxy for the Disabled, may give consent to individual schedule of university courses/study programme in a way that allows such students to execute study programme that is adjusted to individual capabilities of disabled students/PhD students.
 - a) Individual schedule of university courses/study programme may commence at the beginning of each semester, including the first one.
2. At the request of disabled students/PhD students, dean of the relevant faculty/head of PhD studies, in consultation with the Rector's Proxy for the Disabled, may give consent to adjusting entrance and periodic exams and other forms of knowledge verification to the needs and perceptual abilities of the disabled.
 - a) In justified cases, dean of the relevant faculty/head of PhD studies has the option to extend an examination session for disabled students/PhD students or to release them from an obligation to take an exam at a given date, indicating another binding exam date.
3. A disabled student/PhD student, with the consent of a teacher, may receive educational materials in an electronic version, take notes from classes for personal use in an alternative form (e.g. by recording, taking photos), and use other recording devices.
 - a) If disabled students/PhD students use sound or sound and image recording devices during classes, they are required to submit a written declaration of non-infringement of copyrights to works created during these classes and to use the recorded materials only for their own use.

4. At the request of disabled students/PhD students, dean of the relevant faculty/head of PhD studies, in consultation with the Rector's Proxy for the Disabled, may consent to third parties, in particular an assistant of a disabled person, participating in the classes.
5. At the request of disabled students/PhD students, dean of the relevant faculty/head of PhD studies, in consultation with the Rector's Proxy for the Disabled, may consent to a different education method adjusted to individual needs of disabled students/PhD students.

§ 4

1. At the request of a disabled student, dean of the relevant faculty may grant a student who has completed at least the first year of studies, a leave from classes. The leave granted to a disabled student may not exceed two semesters, but in justified cases related to prolonged illness, it may be extended.
2. During the leave, students dealing with health issues may, with the consent of dean of the relevant faculty and in consultation with the Rector's Proxy for the Disabled, take part in some classes and take exams. This way they may fulfil at least these obligations covered by their study programme in a given year that their health condition allows them to fulfil.
3. In justified cases, the leave from classes may be granted for the past period or during the exam session if the reason justifying the leave arose earlier or if the student was not able to report the reason for leave to the University because of unexpected hospital stay, an accident, etc. The leave granted for the past period cancels the student's absences, arrears, and failure to fulfil student obligations.
4. In justified cases, the student may apply for an excuse for long-term absence from classes for health reasons.

§ 5

1. If disabled students/PhD students provided the Rector's Proxy for the Disabled with disability certificate, they may be accommodated in a hall of residence, even if, due to applicable regulations, they normally would not be provided with such accommodation.
2. In justified cases, it is possible to accommodate a disabled student/PhD student in a hall of residence along with their care giver.

§ 6

1. The Wrocław University of Environmental and Life Sciences provides disabled students with an opportunity to participate in sports activities that are appropriately adjusted to their type of disability.
2. More information on types of classes and enrolment procedure is available at: <http://swfis.upwr.edu.pl/zajecia-o-charakterze-korekcyjno-prozdrowotnym/>