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Dyslexia in Adults Fact File No.8

Dyslexia and higher education

University Disability Officers offer specialist advice about support. Dyslexic students should contact their Disability Officer as soon as they accept a place.

Disabled Students Allowance (DSA)

Dyslexic students in Higher Education can apply to their Local Education Authority for a DSA.

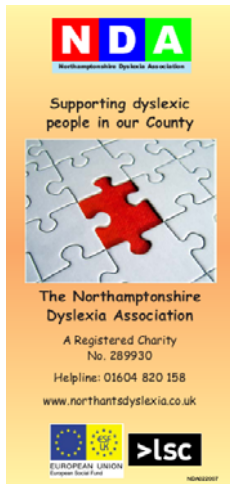
The LEA will need post-16 evidence from an educational psychologist or specialist SpLD teacher.

You will probably need to complete form DSA1.

If you are eligible for DSA, you can go to an Access Centre, where the needs of students can be assessed.

The DSA can include equipment, such as a PC, a non-medical helpers' allowance, this could be for ICT training, proof reading, books etc. Details are in "Bridging the Gap" (see below).

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Further Information

- Northants Dyslexia Association
- Bridging the Gap; DfES leaflet:
<http://www.studentsupportdirect.co.uk/pls/portal/docs/PAGE/SPIPG001/SPIPS001/SPIPS008/BRIDGING%20THE%20GAP.PDF>
- DfES website: www.dfes.gov.uk
- The National Bureau for students with Disabilities. Tel 0800 328 5050

Student Support in Higher Education

Support for dyslexic students varies from place to place. An indication of the support service should be given in the prospectus. Ask about support services at an early stage.

Types of Support

- Assessment (see also Fact File No.3)
- Help with claiming the allowance (see above)
- Computer advice and training
- Advice on exam provision
- Study Support

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