

Dear Applicant,

We are pleased that your application to study at the University of Southampton has been successful and would like to let you know about the support we offer at Enabling Services.

### **Enabling Services**

We provide a range of services for specific, short or long-term needs. These include offering support to students experiencing specific learning difficulties (such as dyslexia or dyspraxia) and students with a wide range of disabilities including visual impairments, hearing impairments, mobility impairments, wheelchair users, Autistic Spectrum Disorders (such as Asperger's syndrome) epilepsy, diabetes or temporary conditions (such as a broken leg). Our services are available on the main Highfield campus as well as the other campuses. Support includes:

- Arrangements for additional examination requirements
- Dyslexia assessment and specialist support
- Disability advice and guidance including arranging access to specialist equipment, supporting applications for accommodation in halls of residence, parking permit applications
- Mentoring
- Counselling
- Needs assessment (for the Disabled Students' Allowance)
- Assistive technology

You will need to register with us at Enabling Services to access support.

The university also offers a Counselling Service which is free to students and a First Support team which helps students in crisis; more information is available on our website at <http://www.southampton.ac.uk/edusupport/>

### **The Disabled Students' Allowance (DSA)**

Students with specific learning difficulties or disabilities are eligible to apply to Student Finance England for the DSA. The DSA is not means tested and can provide equipment and technological support as well as specialist individual support. An application form and more information about the DSA is available at [www.direct.gov.uk/studentfinance](http://www.direct.gov.uk/studentfinance) .

We have our own Needs Assessment Centre (WNAC) on the main campus. If you think you meet the criteria for receiving the DSA we encourage you to apply to your funding body as soon as possible and book your Needs Assessment with WNAC.

You can phone WNAC on +44(0)23 8059 7233