Accessibility and other relevant information for students with disabilities at the Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen

Is there access to adapted housing (wheelchair access, housing adapted for visually impaired individuals, possibility of an additional room for a personal care assistant)?
Access to adapted housing is not managed by the University, but by the ‘Studierendenwerk Tübingen-Hohenheim’. Please visit this link for further information.

Is access to care assistants provided?
Unfortunately, access to care assistants is not provided.

How about the accessibility of university buildings (wheelchair access, access for the visually impaired)?
Large parts of the University are located in old buildings. So it can happen that access to these buildings is difficult or not possible for users with limited mobility. As buildings are maintained, improvements are made, but barrier-free mobility is limited in many University buildings.
The modern buildings housing the sciences at Morgenstelle Campus and the newer buildings close to the city center usually have better disabled access.
An overview of disabled access to University buildings is available here.

If you need more precise information, please ask Ms Motta, who is the contact person in the Student Counselling Service for students living with a disability or chronic illness, for details. If you have classes in rooms not accessible to you, please contact Ms Motta.

How about the accessibility in the town of Tübingen?
Information on disabled access in the town of Tübingen may be found on the Sozialforum Tübingen website.

The FORUM & Fachstelle INKLUSION has compiled current versions of the city map for the mobility impaired and of the city map for the vision impaired. The maps are given out once a deposit of 2.50 euros per map has been paid. You can get them at:
- the registry office/ Bürgeramt (with disabled access) at Schmiedtor 4 (Mon., Wed., Fri. 7:30 am - 2 pm; Tues. and Thurs. 7:30 am - 6 pm), phone: 07071 2042020
- at the FORUM & Fachstelle INKLUSION, Europaplatz 3, phone: 07071 26969
- at the tourist office at the Neckar Bridge, phone: 07071 91360

Is there accessible transportation around campus and the local community for disabled students?
The University of Tübingen is not a campus university. There are many university buildings at various locations in the city. The four main locations can be found here.
Students use the local transportation services, which are partly accessible. You can find more information about them by following this link.

The Tübingen campaign group Freundeskreis Mensch e. V. gives support to the disabled people who live in Tübingen and helps them to independently organize their everyday life.
What kind of academic support is available?
There are various measures with which the University is able to support students with a disability or chronic illness, for example if such a student may find it hard to stay in line with an assignment deadline it is possible to give more time to complete the task.

By law (§ 2 and § 36 Baden-Württemberg Landeshochschulgesetz) the University is obligated to take into account the special requirements of disabled students and those with a chronic illness. We do this by working with you to find ways of enabling you to study to the best of your abilities. This is not about setting different standards - rather, we seek to create equal opportunities for you to successfully complete your studies.

You apply for any such measures with what’s known as an application for disadvantage compensation (Nachteilsausgleich). You can use this form or write a letter to your subject’s responsible examinations office. You need to set out the reasons why the requested measures are necessary for you, and you must confirm your reasons with a certificate from a doctor/specialist/psychotherapist. (Suggestions as to what such an attest should include are available in the Attest requirements document.) It is helpful if the attest/doctor’s certificate makes clear what the disadvantage is for which compensation is needed.

The examinations office will send you written notification of how your application can be met. With this notification you inform your teachers about the necessary measures or altered regulations which apply to your studies. Please make your application early so this process can run smoothly for all those involved. You should bear in mind that the examinations offices and teaching staff need some time to process your application with the consideration it deserves.

Further information and suggestions can be found here.

What about adapted academic materials?
At the moment, there are no documents available in braille. However, please have a look at the offers that the University’s main library has in stock.

Enlarged copies of documents or the possibility to audio record classes is on the basis of an individual agreement with the lecturers.

Is there a hospital or health center on campus or close to your institution?
The University Hospital is centrally situated between the Science Campus (‘Morgenstelle’) and Campus Wilhelmstraße. Unfortunately, there is no nurse/physician’s assistants on campus. There is also no physical therapy available via the University.

Are university administrative and teaching staff trained in disabilities management?
Some have been trained by our Hochschuldidaktik.
The following buildings or lecture halls have a Magnetic/induction/deaf loop available:

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Does your institution have dedicated accessibility/disabilities center?

The Student Counselling Service has a designated person who is in charge of students with a disability or chronic illness.

Contact: Katrin Motta T. +49 7071-2975401; zsb@uni-tuebingen.de

Office Hours are Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays on basis of an individual appointment.
Counselling is free, confidential and unbiased.