

A photograph of a man in a wheelchair sitting at a desk, engaged in a conversation with another man. The man in the wheelchair is wearing a dark sweater and has his hand near his chin, listening intently. The other man is seen from the side, wearing a brown jacket and glasses. They are in a modern, brightly lit room with large windows in the background.

Accessible studying at the University for Continuing Education Krems

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MARKETING

Accessible Studying

This is our approach

It is important to us to ensure equal opportunities for students with disabilities and/or chronic illnesses. Based on its legal mandate, the University for Continuing Education Krems is committed to create framework conditions that enable equal participation in all aspects of study, teaching and research. At the same time, we counteract social prejudices through information, networking and cooperation.

Our services:

- Students with disabilities and/or chronic illnesses are supported individually
- Structural accessibility in all buildings of Campus Krems
- The course directors and the disability officer are the direct contact persons who can be approached by students with disabilities during their studies.
- Specially design courses (e.g. block courses, e-learning) facilitate barrier-free studying

Legal basis

Good to know

You have a right to study without suffering from discrimination, and being given equal opportunities. The Austrian Constituion, the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, the Austrian Federal Disability Equality Act, and the Austrian University Act regulate this among others.

① Before the study

Well prepared for a better start

A conversation with your Disabilities Officer will bring clarification in what terms your studies can be made accessible, whether you meet the admission requirements, what financing options are available and which documents you need to submit in order to receive grants.

② In everyday life as a student

Teaching, learning and examinations

Universities have the task of creating accessibility – in access to buildings, in teaching or in communication. Wherever accessibility is not guaranteed or cannot be guaranteed for everyone, appropriate precautions must be taken.

Compensation for disadvantages is an important instrument for compensating for disadvantages or additional expenses caused by a disability.

You can receive **compensation for your studies** and exams, for example:

- Deviating audit methods
- Work implements or technical aids
- Study and communication assistance
- Literature service for blind and visually impaired people
- Appropriate arrangements in courses

③ In between To foreign countries

Study visits and internships abroad are a decisive element for professional success. Clarify the local conditions and support possibilities early on. In all programs of the Austrian Exchange Service (OeAD) special funding is available for students with disabilities.

Service Center for International Relations

www.donau-uni.ac.at/en/international

National Agency Erasmus+ Higher Education

www.oead.at/en/the-oead/our-programmes-from-a-to-z/



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Students with disabilities

People who have a disability

Various forms of disabilities or impairments can affect student's lives:

- Disabilities
- Physical or motoric impairments
- Sensory impairments
- Mental impairment
- Chronic diseases
- Autism spectrum condition, ASD
- Reading and/or spelling difficulties
- or as the case may be

Finance and Funding

Finding an easier way

Educational leave and part-time education

enables employees to take time off work for continuing training or to reduce their working hours while maintaining an ongoing employment contract. If the requirements are met, employees are entitled to a continuing education allowance from The Austrian Public Employment Service (AMS) – www.ams.at/organisation/public-employment-service-austria/working--recruiting---studying

Regional offices of the Ministry of Social Affairs

form about support possibilities and advise individually
– www.sozialministeriumservice.at

Personal assistance regarding work place and/or training (PAA)

The WAG Assistenzgenossenschaft supports people with disabilities in organizing personal assistance – www.wag.or.at/english/

Information and confidential consultation

Your Disabilities Officer

The disabilities officer informs and supports students with disabilities and/or chronic diseases before and during their studies at the University for Continuing Education Krems:

- **Counselling and information in all matters**
- **Information on funding options and legal framework conditions**
- **Individual support in coping with day-to-day challenges which occur during the studies**
- **Individual solutions regarding the study and workplace situation**
- **Support in organising deviating audit methods**
- **Support in organising working aids or technical devices**
- **General guidance and assistance in coping with structural barriers on-campus**
- **Arrangements for counselling in facilities and personal assistance**

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Other Contact Points

We are here to support you

ÖH Donau-Uni Krems

The Austrian National Union of Students represents the interests of all students at the University for Continuing Education Krems – www.oeh-duk.at/en/



The University for Continuing Education Krems specializes in part-time academic continuing education. As a public university for continuing education, it works with its expertise in research and teaching to overcome societal challenges and tailors its study programs to address them. The master programs and short programs cover ten fields of study and meet the specific requirements of working professionals. With 8,000 students coming from 85 countries, the University for Continuing Education Krems combines its many years of experience in university-based continuing education with innovation to provide outstanding quality in research and teaching at an international level. The University holds the AQ Austria quality seal. Situated 60 km from Vienna in the alluring world heritage region Wachau, Campus Krems is a highly attractive location.

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