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University of Bahrain

Deanship of Student Affairs

Department of Student Services and Development

Students with Disabilities Guide at the University of Bahrain

Students with Disability Division

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His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa King of the Kingdom of Bahrain

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Introduction

The Deanship of Student Affairs is one of the supporting Deanships at the University of Bahrain. It provides its services and programs to all University students. Its role is to provide activities, programs, and services needed by students during their course of study.

University students spend more than 6 to 8 hours a day at the university campus, and they normally need various services. Our role at the university is to exert all efforts to search for the best services available to them.

The Deanship of Student Affairs made all efforts to assist students with disability and provide them with useful services and it continually attempts to secure an appropriate environment to facilitate their progress in academic life. The Deanship always looks for and follows up on the best facilities and support to be provided to students with disabilities in general.

In fact, all students with disabilities receive great care in terms of psychological and social support from the Deanship of Student Affairs. We call upon all students with disabilities not to hesitate to ask for any assistance they need. Our staff are highly qualified and have good experience of serving students with disabilities and help them achieve great success and progress in their academic life.

Dean of Student Affairs

Services provided for students with disabilities at the University of Bahrain

The Deanship of Student affairs exert great efforts to develop and improve the services provided to student's quantity and quality wise in order to suit the prestige of the University of Bahrain and its reputation. Among these efforts are the unremitting services of the Students with Disabilities Division which prepares and provides services and facilities in the university to meet the requirements of students with disabilities who have been admitted to the university and secure their participation in various scientific activities, sports, and other pursuits.

Among the most important services are the following:

- Providing assistance in the registration of their courses
- Providing a special needs vehicle equipped with all required facilities for students with disabilities to transfer them to and from the University.
- Providing a special car to transfer students with disabilities among the university buildings and facilities.
- Assigning volunteer students to help students with disabilities during their presence in the University, their exam periods and when needed.
- Coordinating with the faculty of arts in the use of the Visio Braille lab to assist students with impaired vision in their studies
- Extending the time allowed for students with impaired vision when required.
- Monitoring public facilities.

These services are provided to the rest of the university students with disabilities and without any discrimination in accordance with the available potential. Thus, such services contribute to their reintegration with the student body and environment to overcome the obstacles and difficulties that could limit their potentials.

Mission:

Integrating students with disabilities in society and the development of their skills through purposeful programs and activities.

Vision:

Providing suitable services, activities, and programs of high quality compatible to the potentials of students with disabilities to increase their reliance on themselves.

Objectives:

The Division of Students with disabilities at the University of Bahrain aims to achieve the following objectives:

- Development of the spirit of cooperation and integration in society
- The participation of students with disabilities in university programs and its various activities
- Contributing to the integration of students with disabilities within and outside the university
- Providing good services commensurate with the types of various disabilities for university students
- Creating challenging programs and encouraging the students with disabilities to participate effectively in such programs
- Developing the services available at the university and searching for new services.
- Contributing to the solution of the problems and overcoming difficulties for students with disabilities
- Refining skills and talents of students with disabilities

Definition of disability:

The disabled is the person who suffers from some deficiency in physical or mental ability as a result of illness or accident or congenital or genetic factor that led to total or partial

inability to work or to continue normal life or to achieve further progress. Thus, it caused some weakness that hindered the disabled to assume one of the other key positions in life. Thus he/ she will be in need of care and rehabilitation for the integration or re-integration in society (Clause D of Article 1 of Law number (74) for the year 2006 concerning caring and rehabilitation of persons with disability.

Beneficiary groups of the services of the division.

The Division provides its services and activities to the following categories of students with disability.

- Disabilities mobility
- Disabilities with visual impairment
- Hearing Disability
- People with various disabilities
- People with temporary disability as a result of accidents and other mishaps
- People with chronic diseases

The rights of students with disability at the University of Bahrain:

Each person with disabilities enjoys the following rights at the University of Bahrain:

- Availing from all services provided by the Division
- Participating in the programs and activities of the Division
- Availing from means of transportation to and from the University
- Availing from the shuttle bus services within the University

- Availing from the advantage of the extended time during the performance of the examinations as permitted by the University regulations
- Availing from the existing facilities in the University for the disabled students
- Availing from the membership of Student Associations at the University
- Availing from health care at the University
- Fair treatment consistent with disability conditions both in terms of curricular and non-curricular activities
- Availing from the services of the library at the University
- Participation in student activities provided by the University
- Participation in representing the University in areas suitable for disabled capabilities
- Availing from the exemption from tuition fees
- Availing from the assistance of the Division during the add and drop periods
- Confidentiality of personal information of students with Disability

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**Department of Student Services
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Enrollment Form for Students with Disabilities at the Division

Date of Enrollment / /

Photo

General Information

Name

University ID Number

CPR

College Major

Contact Number Home telephone

Type of Disability

- Mobility
- Visual Impairment
- Hearing Impairment
- Other Disabilities

Services Student wishes to avail from

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Student Guardian Personal Information:

Name

Position

Contact Number

Relation to Student

Signature

Students with Disabilities Division Comments

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Documents Needed

- Copy of student timetable
- Copy of Medical Report