

Strategy for the support of students with functional impairments at the University of Copenhagen

It is provided in the Danish Non-Discrimination Act and the UN Disability Convention that persons with disabilities have a right to education. It is also provided that educational institutions must ensure that persons with disabilities are given the necessary support to complete their education on an equal footing with other students. The strategy for the support of students with functional impairments has been drawn up to ensure this support at the University of Copenhagen.

The strategy covers all students at the University of Copenhagen who have a documented physical or mental diagnosis, disability or impairment. The strategy applies the expression 'students with functional impairments'.

Vision for the support of students with functional impairments at the University of Copenhagen

The University of Copenhagen wants to be an educational institution that ensures that students with functional impairments have the opportunity to complete a study programme on an equal footing with other students

Goals for the support of students with functional impairments at the University of Copenhagen

- 1. **Organisation**: The University of Copenhagen wants to have a clear division of responsibility in the support of students with functional impairments
- 2. Knowledge gathering: The University of Copenhagen wants to be knowledge-based in its approach to targeting supportive measures and initiatives for students with functional impairments
- **3. Communication:** The University of Copenhagen wants to provide targeted information for students with functional impairments
- 4. Service and guidance: The University of Copenhagen wants to align expectations between students with functional impairments and the university, especially in transitional situations
- **5. Case processing:** The University of Copenhagen wants to ensure equal treatment and joint guidelines in case processing and decisions concerning students with functional impairments

Each goal contains several specific initiatives, as described in a separate action plan for the period 2016-2018. The action plan is to ensure that the strategy is realised.