

Inclusive Education and Disability Support Services

Uzbekistan State World Languages University (UzSWLU)

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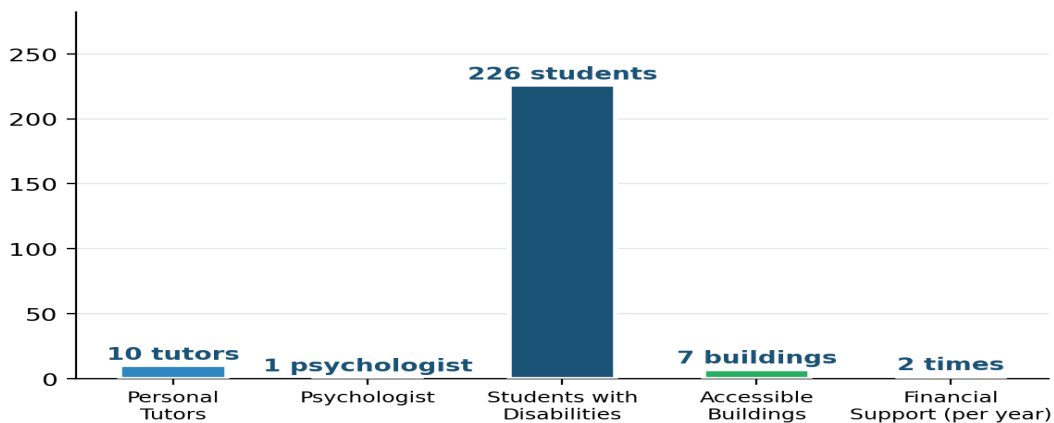
Students with Disabilities	Personal Tutors	Psychologist	Financial Support
226	10	1	2x per year
Currently enrolled	Assigned individually	Dedicated specialist	Material assistance

1. Overview

Uzbekistan State World Languages University (UzSWLU) is committed to providing an inclusive, accessible, and supportive learning environment for all students, including those with disabilities. The university currently has **226 students with disabilities** enrolled across undergraduate and graduate programs. To ensure their full participation in academic and campus life, UzSWLU has established a comprehensive support system that includes personal tutoring, psychological counseling, accessible infrastructure, adapted learning materials, residential support, and financial assistance.

These services are guided by the university's **Anti-Discrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy** (approved September 2021), which explicitly prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability and ensures equal access to all educational programs, services, and campus resources. The policy is aligned with the Constitution of the Republic of Uzbekistan and national legislation on the rights of persons with disabilities.

Disability Support Services at a Glance



2. Academic Mentoring and Personal Tutoring

UzSWLU operates a dedicated mentoring and tutoring system for students with disabilities. Each student is assigned a **personal tutor** who provides individualized academic support throughout their entire period of study. Currently, **10 trained tutors** are assigned to support the 226 students with disabilities, with an average tutor-to-student ratio of 1:23.

Service	Description	Coverage
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Personal Tutor Assignment	Each student with a disability is assigned a dedicated tutor for academic guidance and support	All 226 students
Individual Learning Plans	Customized study plans adapted to each student's specific needs, abilities, and pace of learning	All 226 students
Academic Counseling	Regular one-on-one sessions to monitor academic progress, address challenges, and set goals	Weekly sessions
Psychological Support	Dedicated psychologist providing counseling, stress management, and emotional support services	1 psychologist (available daily)
Exam Accommodations	Extended time, separate exam rooms, and alternative assessment formats as needed	As required

3. Physical Accessibility and Campus Infrastructure

UzSWLU has invested in making its campus physically accessible to students with mobility impairments and other disabilities. The following infrastructure adaptations have been implemented across campus buildings:

Facility	Description	Status
Wheelchair Ramps	Installed at all main entrances of campus buildings, providing step-free access	Operational
Elevators / Lifts	Available in multi-story academic buildings for wheelchair and mobility-impaired access	Operational
Accessible Restrooms	Specially designed restrooms with grab bars, wider doors, and wheelchair-friendly layout	All buildings
Wheelchair-Friendly Corridors	Wide corridors and pathways across campus designed for wheelchair navigation	All buildings
Ground-Floor Classrooms	Priority classroom allocation on ground floors for students with mobility limitations	All faculties
Signage and Wayfinding	Clear signage with visual and tactile indicators for navigation assistance	Campus-wide

Evidence: Detailed campus accessibility report available at: uzswlu.uz/backend/web/uploads/pagepdf/icon/17625230399625.pdf

4. Adapted Learning Materials

UzSWLU ensures that all students with disabilities have access to adapted and inclusive learning materials to support their academic success:

Material Type	Description	Availability
Large-Print Materials	Textbooks, handouts, and exam papers produced in enlarged font sizes for visually impaired students	All courses
Audio Materials	Audio-recorded lectures, audiobooks, and text-to-speech resources for students with visual impairments	All courses
Digital / Online Resources	Accessible online learning platform with screen-reader compatibility and adjustable display settings	University LMS
Lecture Recordings	Video and audio recordings of lectures available for students who cannot attend in person	On request

5. Residential Accommodation and Daily Living Support

UzSWLU provides dedicated residential support for students with disabilities who live in university dormitories:

Service	Description
Ground-Floor Rooms	Students with disabilities are allocated rooms on the ground floor of dormitory buildings for easy access and mobility convenience.
Specially Equipped Rooms	Dormitory rooms are adapted with accessibility features including wider doorways, grab bars, and wheelchair-friendly furniture layout.
Personal Care Assistants	Dedicated assistants are assigned to students with severe disabilities to help with daily activities, campus commuting, and class attendance.
Academic Attendance Support	Assistants accompany students to classes, helping them navigate the campus and ensuring they can fully participate in all academic activities.
Daily Living Assistance	Support staff provide help with meals, personal care, and other daily necessities as needed for students with significant disabilities.

6. Institutional Policy Framework

UzSWLU's disability support services are underpinned by the following institutional policies and legal frameworks:

Anti-Discrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy (approved September 2021) — This policy explicitly prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability, nationality, gender, race, religion, and other protected characteristics. It establishes a zero-tolerance approach, defines clear reporting procedures, and ensures that a Disciplinary Commission investigates all allegations. The policy mandates regular anti-discrimination training for all students, staff, and university officials.

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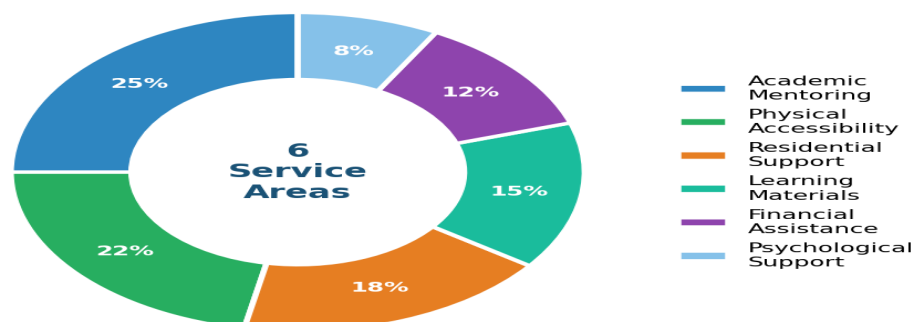
Additional legal framework: Constitution of the Republic of Uzbekistan (Article 18 — equality and non-discrimination); Law on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities of the Republic of Uzbekistan; National Action Strategy for five priority areas of development (2017-2021) and its successor frameworks supporting inclusive education.

7. Financial Assistance

Type of Support	Description	Frequency
State Disability Allowance	All students with officially recognized disabilities receive a monthly state allowance (nafaqa) from the government	Monthly
University Material Assistance	UzSWLU provides additional material/financial support to students with disabilities from the university budget	Twice per year
Tuition Fee Exemptions	Eligible students may receive partial or full tuition fee waivers based on disability status and financial need	Per academic year
Scholarship Opportunities	Students with disabilities are given priority consideration for university and external scholarship programs	Per semester

8. Complete Support Services Overview

Distribution of Support Services



#	Service Area	Key Features	Beneficiaries
1	Academic Mentoring & Tutoring	10 personal tutors, individual learning plans, weekly counseling, exam accommodations	226 students
2	Psychological Support	1 dedicated psychologist, stress management, emotional counseling, crisis intervention	226 students + staff
3	Physical Accessibility	Ramps, elevators, accessible restrooms, ground-floor classrooms, signage	Campus-wide
4	Learning Materials	Large-print, audio materials, digital resources, lecture recordings, screen-reader support	All courses
5	Residential Support	Ground-floor rooms, equipped rooms, personal assistants for daily living and class attendance	Dormitory residents
6	Financial Assistance	Monthly state allowance, university material support (2x/year), tuition waivers, scholarships	226 students

9. Conclusion

UzSWLU is firmly committed to inclusive education and equal opportunities for all students, including those with disabilities. With **226 students with disabilities** currently enrolled, supported by **10 personal tutors** and **1 dedicated psychologist**, the university provides comprehensive academic, physical, residential, and financial support services. These services are guided by the university's Anti-Discrimination Policy and aligned with national legislation on disability rights.

The university continues to invest in improving campus accessibility, expanding its tutoring network, and enhancing support services to ensure that every student — regardless of ability — can fully participate in academic life and achieve their educational goals. UzSWLU's approach reflects its broader commitment to social sustainability and the UN Sustainable Development Goals, particularly SDG 4 (Quality Education), SDG 10 (Reduced Inequalities), and SDG 16 (Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions).

References and Evidence

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