Disability within Your SU

POLICY RESPONSIBILITY: TBC
CONTACT: TBC

Sheffield Students’ Union notes:

1. Disabled people are around 3 times as likely not to hold any qualifications compared to non-disabled people, and around half as likely to hold a degree-level qualification (Labour Force Survey, Quarter 2, 2012).
2. That specific facilities in the students union are not accessible for Disabled students, in relation to study spaces.

Sheffield Students’ Union believes:

1. All students have the right and ability to use the union building.
2. Figures about the attainment of degrees from disabled students is something as an SU we should do everything possible to enable these students.

Sheffield Students’ Union resolves:

1. That specific equipment and programs should be installed to enable more effective use of the SU to be accessible.
2. To contact the relevant channels to get the SplD software downloaded, such as dragon dictation software and TextHelp, on at least 25% of all computers in the SU.
3. To have priority accessibility needs computers and priority SplD needs computers in spaces of study in the SU.
4. To ensure better desk and seat options in the gallery and all study social areas of the SU to ensure that students with physical and non-physical disabilities are accommodated in the facilities of the SU.
5. To ensure that the students union does everything possible to help students in facilitation study for disabled students.

POLICY HISTORY:

The original was passed by Students Union Council in April 2017.

This policy is next due for review in November 2019.