

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE OFFICE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES



According to the information provided on the website of the [University of Warsaw's Office for Persons with Disabilities \(BON\)](#), support from BON is not a way to make studying “easier”:

- adaptations and assistance are intended to level the playing field in the studying process,
- students supported by BON are held to the same academic standards,
- BON's support cannot result in the lowering of academic requirements.

To pass a course, students must acquire the specific knowledge and skills listed in the syllabus, regardless of the individual techniques or time required to achieve this. **Health-related circumstances or limitations in certain activities do not change these requirements.**

Who is BON for?

BON supports individuals who want to study and are ready to adapt their learning strategies and approaches to the challenges resulting from their health conditions.

The office operates in response to a formal application for supportive solutions, based on medical documentation confirming the health condition. For mental health issues, the [UW Psychological Support Center](#) can assist in obtaining the necessary documentation.

Implementing solutions may require patience, as reaching agreements between University units management can take time. **One should be prepared for limitations in the support provided or, in justified cases, for the possibility of their application being rejected.**

Implementing BON recommendations

When providing opinions and suggested forms of academic support, BON uses the word *possibility*, which means “a capability that manifests under favourable conditions to act and achieve certain effects”. An opinion is not a directive.

The head of studies passes the recommendations to the instructors, but the decision regarding the scope of academic support is made by the instructors themselves. It is important to note the period for which the recommendations are valid (semester, academic year, or the entire period of study) and at what point in the academic year the recommendation is issued to the Institute of English Studies.

Upon receiving a BON opinion, students should follow the decision and instructions provided in the response to their application in the USOS system. Depending on the situation, those may include, for example, sending a list of course instructors by email or making contact with BON to arrange the details.