

# Establishment of the Disability Support Committee

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## Announcement

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EDU's Disability Support Committee (DSC) was formally established on 3 June, 2022.

The DSC bears responsibility for creating a culture of inclusiveness that allows students with disabilities to thrive through the following activities:

- a. Issuing recommendations on the adjustment of institutional rules and regulations to reasonably accommodate students with disabilities;
- b. Investigating the requests brought forward by students with special access needs and recommending the measures to be implemented;
- c. Establishing a productive process to continuously develop a guideline for Access Arrangements as we learn from serving our students;
- d. Monitoring organizational compliance to the Malta Equal Opportunities (Persons with Disability) Act (CAP. 413), good practice and internally set standards;
- e. Presenting a bi-yearly report to the Academic Board on the committee's activities.

The DSC consists of six EDU staff members with relevant professional experience and two student representatives elected by the Student Council. Members are approved by the Academic Board and serve a term of three years and can be re-elected. The current membership at the time of posting of this announcement is as follows:

- DSC Committee Chair: Taylor Matherly, MEd, MPH
- Dr. Federico Arévalo, MD
- Mgr. Martina Bobulová, MLitt
- Dr. Jose Hernandez, DPhil, MSc, MBA, MPH, FHEA
- Mgr. Tibor Sátor
- MUDr. Samo Štefanko
- Student representative: Linda Heinzl
- Student representative: Julia Rövenich

The DSC holds regular monthly meetings from September through June, with additional special sessions scheduled as necessary in accordance with student needs.

## Contact the DSC

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Students may contact the DSC directly through email at [DisabilitySupportCommittee@edu.edu.mt](mailto:DisabilitySupportCommittee@edu.edu.mt) or through Student Affairs at [studentaffairs@edu.edu.mt](mailto:studentaffairs@edu.edu.mt).