

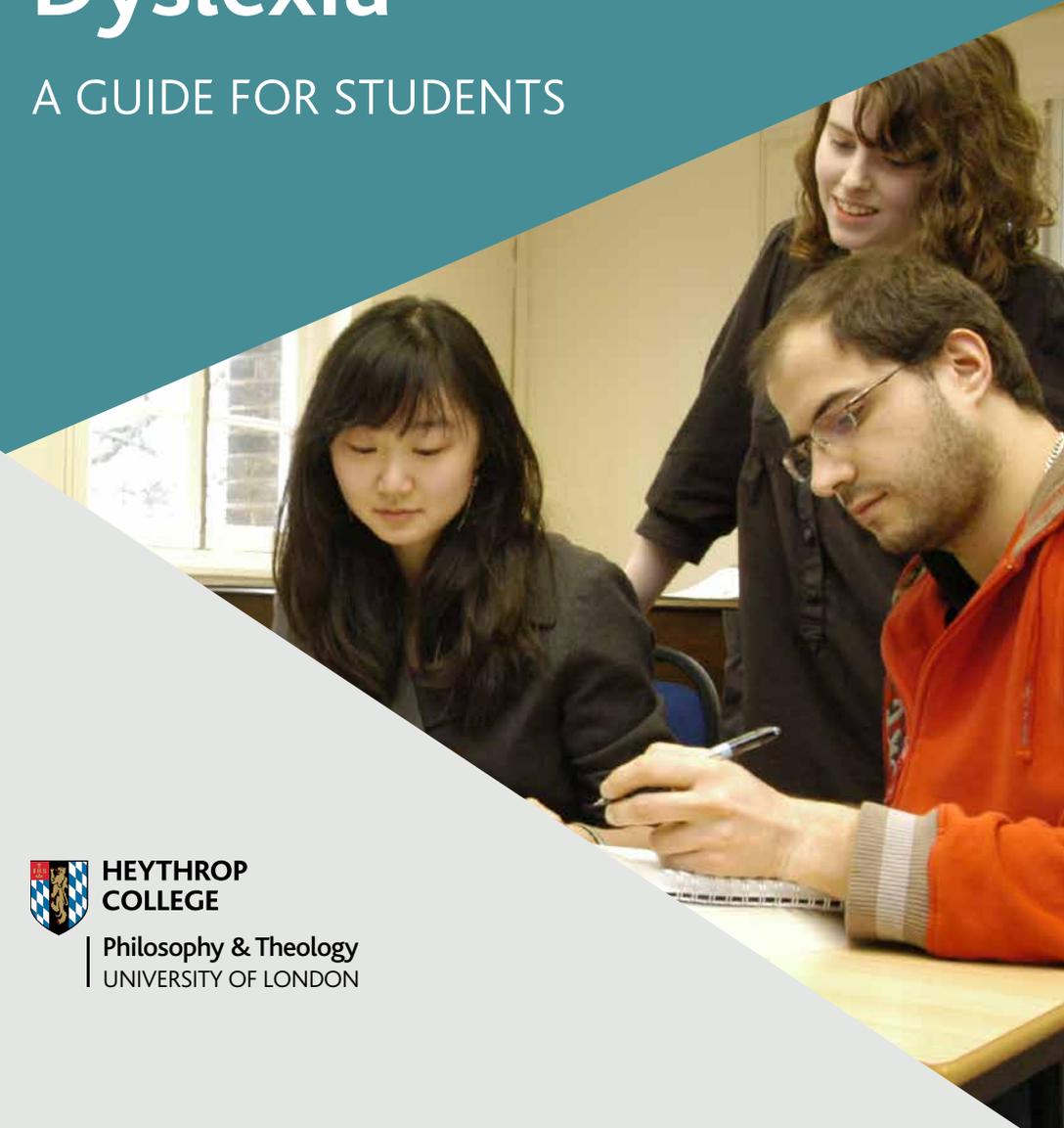
# Disability & Dyslexia

A GUIDE FOR STUDENTS



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# WHAT HELP IS AVAILABLE?

Heythrop is committed to disability equality. To help us to fulfill our duties in this area you are strongly encouraged to inform us of any learning difficulties or chronic health problems. We provide a screening test, followed by a full assessment of your additional needs.

We then put in place the support recommended, for example, special exam arrangements.

If you are a home-domiciled student you may be eligible to receive Disabled Students' Allowances to meet the costs of other recommendations, for example a computer with specialist software, mental health mentoring or individual study tuition.

## DISABLED STUDENTS' ALLOWANCE

A wide range of conditions can have an impact on learning and are therefore considered a disability for the purposes of study support. Categories include:

- Specific learning differences such as autistic spectrum disorder, dyslexia, or dyspraxia.
- Unseen disabilities such as epilepsy or diabetes
- Mental health difficulties including eating disorders, depression or obsessive compulsive disorder
- Physical disabilities such as multiple sclerosis or mobility or dexterity issues
- Sensory disabilities such as deafness/hearing impairment, or visual impairment



Students with a learning difference or long-term health condition may be eligible for the Disabled Students' Allowance.

The DSA provides funding to cover the cost of equipment or human support for home domiciled students. Three steps to disability

support:

#### 1. DISCLOSURE

You can let us know about a disability or learning difference at any point in your course, but the sooner you let us know the

sooner support can be put in place. It can take up to six months to receive support through the DSA. So it's best to apply early!

#### 2. ASSESSMENT

If you are not sure about your support needs we will provide an initial screening, and a full study needs assessment where appropriate.

#### 3. SUPPORT PROVIDED

Timely support can have a big impact on your success.

## EQUALITY ACT 2010

Under the Equality Act 2010 Heythrop College has a duty to make reasonable adjustments, and to ensure that anyone with a disability is not treated less favourably. We are positive about using this legislation to make sure that all students can develop academic skills and realize their full potential.

Many current students are making good use of support through the DSA, and many graduates who have disclosed a disability have achieved to the highest level in their degree.

## STUDENT SUPPORT OFFICE

If you have any queries about the support available to you please contact the Student Support Manager, Dominic McLoughlin at [d.mcloughlin@heythrop.ac.uk](mailto:d.mcloughlin@heythrop.ac.uk) or on 020 7795 4145

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