



University : University of Pécs (UP)
Country : Hungary

SDG10: REDUCED INEQUALITIES

10.6 Measures against discrimination

10.6.10. Does your university as a body have reasonable accommodation policy/strategy implemented, including adequately funded mechanism for persons with disabilities?

Yes, the University of Pécs has reasonable accommodation policy/strategy. The university offers dormitories that are accessible and available for persons with disabilities. While we also offer help to those students who are looking for renting a flat, rather than living in a dormitory.

The University of Pécs offers several services for students, free of charge. These include the Support Service for students with special needs and/or disabilities, and the Student Counselling (email: counselling@pte.hu), providing psychological support for students in case it is needed.

Accommodation services

All information and guides considering accommodation is available on the University's Hungarian and international websites.

1. University housing - UP dormitories:

The University of Pécs has ten dormitories, with a total capacity for nearly 3,300 students, 95% of which are new, renovated to meet modern requirements, and **barrier-free spaces are also available** at the Pécs training site. They are located in quiet, residential areas of the city. The Faculties of the University as well as the city centre are **easily accessible** from the dormitories. Most of the dormitories have recently been renovated. The rooms are nicely furnished and contain bathrooms. Bedclothes are supplied. Rooms are offered on a reasonable price level.

We believe that the more comfortable a student feels with where they are living, the more they will be able to reach their full potential. The dormitories provide a supportive community as our Preparatory Year students undertake the challenges that accompany their studies. As they need to face all that comes with young adulthood, Preparatory Year students are also given the chance to exercise a suitable level of independence. This includes learning to set a pocket money budget, laundering their own clothing, maintaining the cleanliness of their room, and the option to cook in the dorm's kitchen facilities.

The facilities include:

- internet access in each room
- study room
- lounge
- gym
- student club
- laundry room (you need to buy washing powder and liquid)
- bike storage
- parking places
- cafeteria
- gardens

Dormitory application:

After the acceptance of a student's application to the University of Pécs, they will receive a separate online application form to the dormitory. Upon receiving their Letter of Acceptance from ISC, they can apply for dormitory. If it is accepted, they can move into the appointed dormitory, right after signing the document and paying the first fee.



Dormitories located in Pécs:

1. Damjanich Dormitory
2. Szántó Dormitory
3. Boszorkány Street Dormitory
4. Balassa Dormitory
5. Jakabhegyi Dormitory
6. Szalay Dormitory
7. Laterum Dormitory

Damjanich Dormitory, for e.g.: Recently renovated, fully re-furnished dormitory accommodating 100 students in rooms with 2 beds. In each unit you can find a kitchen and a bathroom. **The building is adjusted to the needs of PWD (people with disabilities)** with four rooms on the ground floor. Its own car and bike parking lot is monitored and protected by security CCTV cameras. Adjacent to the teaching site (located behind ISC main building) Peaceful location with large gardens for relaxation. Walking distance of the historical city centre, World Heritage Site.

Pictures of our dormitories:



2. Rent-a-flat: Free apartment finding service for students offered by the University of Pécs

Students can also consider private rental including shared houses or flats with other students. A wide variety of housing options is available in Pécs.

Looking for an apartment or a roommate to share a flat with?

Student Housing offers more than other agencies:

- Largest database of apartments in Pécs
- Office located on campus
- Roommate search (advertise your room for rent for free)
- Furnished/unfurnished apartment options
- Making appointments with the landlords for you
- Taking you out by car to view apartments
- Reliable, fast accommodation
- Helpful staff
- Exact info given about the properties (utility costs, etc.)
- Pics of each flat available - no surprises!
- Our database is updated every day
- FREE SERVICE!



University Support Service:

Since 2005 our university operates a Support Service, which is unique in Hungary. The service helps students and teachers with disabilities (dyslexia, dysgraphia, dyscalculia, mobility impairment, visual impairment, hearing impairment, etc.) to live their everyday lives more easily.

Support Service's work include:

- Transport service:
 - The aim of this service is to ease access to public services and education.
 - 17 electric cars are used for transportation between the sites of the University of Pécs daily, out of which one car is used by the University of Pécs's Support Service to transport students with reduced mobility. The aim of this service is to ease access to public services and education.
 - The Support Service uses a special minibus as well, equipped to transport people with special needs. An electric lifting machine and special fixing equipment make transport possible especially for people using a wheelchair. (Of course, we are equipped and ready to transport students with other special needs as well.)
 - The minibus is available for:
 - approaching the University
 - visiting public services (hospitals, library, offices, etc.)
 - going home
 - or during other transportation tasks
- Office services:
 - Help during studies-related administration
 - Information, consultancy, administration
 - Digitisation of class notes
 - Lending special tools
 - Help during Library visits
 - Help in typing or editing or printing written documents (e.g. assignments)
 - Visual information "translated" into acoustic information, reading out charts
 - English conversation club
 - Printing, written materials enlargement
 - General study administration
 - Ensuring sign language interpreter if needed
- Career services
 - Find apprenticeship program
 - Consultation for study abroad and apprenticeship programs
 - Guidance for international volunteerism
 - Foreigner volunteers' employment (EVS program)
 - Personal consultation for job searching and for abilities needed to success
 - Job offers gathering, mediation
 - Sensitize employers
- Mental Health Service
 - We help you to keep contact with your environment (chats, common events, transportation, etc.)
 - Proper treatment for possible mental harm (finding the proper expert, if needed).
 - Preventing crisis situations, treating actual crisis.
- Studies related services (helping to study)
 - Students with visual impairments: reading out or digitising notes from lessons, converting visual information to verbal (charts, pictures), facilitate written material, typing, formatting, printing, facilitate library use, accompany the student outside of the university and among its buildings.
 - Students with hearing impairments: Ensuring sign language interpreter if needed, facilitate library use, accompany the student outside of the university and among its buildings.



- Disabled students: Accompany the student outside of the university and among its buildings, lifting-mobilisation, helping in notetaking and making written materials, facilitate library use.
- Students with learning difficulties (dyslexia, dysgraphia, dyscalculia): Helping to understand texts and visual information, correcting documents written by students, language clubs, facilitate library use, teaching learning methodology.
- Physiotherapy
 - The aim is to develop the condition and contribution to rehabilitation of the disabled students and colleagues of the University.
 - The two professional physiotherapists provide personalised gym after condition survey.
- Sound therapy for skill development: AIT/ Auditory Integration Training
 - AIT's goal: Strengthen the skills, increase attention retention, and reduce learning difficulties of university students who participate in the program.
- Learning to learn:
 - Aim: Treatment of learning disabilities, helping to develop and keep the level of learning outcomes focusing on the students having learning disabilities.
- Special Needs Education

Equal treatment and rights

University Ombudsman

Equal Opportunity Plan, University of Pécs (01/01/2024 - 31/12/2024), Section V, point 3 -

“In addition to the above, the University of Pécs has a university ombudsman based on Annex No. 55 of the University's Organizational and Operational Regulations, whose general task is to support the non-discriminatory treatment of university citizens in accordance with the requirement of equal treatment, and to facilitate the peaceful settlement of their related conflicts in the university during operation.”

The ombudsman can be approached by any citizen of the University, if they experience any of the following on the part of another citizen, decision-making forum or organizational unit of the University in connection with the operation of the University:

- a) violation of equal opportunities,
- b) discrimination,
- c) violation of the right to a fair trial,
- d) violation of human dignity,
- e) abuse of power,
- f) violation of privacy,
- g) harassment,

violation of the right to sexual self-determination