



Adaptation of the Academy of Humanities and Economics in Lodz to the needs of people with disabilities



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& on-line studies
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About the Academy of Humanities and Economics in Lodz & on-line studies

We are a university with 29 years of tradition, meeting the requirements of European and national educational standards.

In order to ensure the comfort of learning for people with disabilities, we have introduced a number of changes necessary for the proper implementation of the course of education.

As part of our university, there is the Polish Virtual University (PUW), the longest operating e-learning university in the country.

E-learning is obviously the best educational offer for people who can't study full-time due to dysfunction and chronic diseases.



Disability for each person gives rise to different problems, but for many it too often becomes an obstacle to the pursuit of the goal.

The Academy of Humanities and Economics in Lodz doesn't put up barriers, it is a friendly and open university for people with disabilities. The forms of support and assistance are determined individually.

The Disability Spokesman acts as a person supporting students with disabilities in everyday difficulties, as well as an advisory person in the field of the rights of people with disabilities.

For two years I have been working as a Spokesman for people with disabilities and I deal with difficult cases with a high degree of complexity, as an appeal and advisory instance.

We are a university without barriers, which is proven by statistics, i.e. the fact how many students with disabilities learn with us:

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Deaf and hard of hearing		5					10	1	16
Blind and visually impaired	1	3		1			12		17
Movement function – walking person	9	22	2	1	3	3	53	1	94
Movement function – non- walking person							17		17
Other dysfunction	5	27	1		3	7	68	5	116
	15	57	3	2	6	10	160	7	<u>260</u>



Duties of the Spokesman

- Consideration of the difficult situation between lecturers and students
 - Assistance in the individual organization of the course of studies and the organization of practices (IOS)
 - Enabling an alternative form of passing exams
 - Help in health matters as an advisory voice
 - Assistance in completing applications to PFRON and MOPS
 - Organize a sign language interpreter
 - Organizing a guide for the blind
 - Consultation on the current academic situation
 - Acceptance of applications/ comments regarding the infrastructure and equipment of the University
 - **Organize free transport**
 - **Lending the necessary equipment to support the didactic process**
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Specialized equipment for students with disabilities

A faint, light-colored background illustration on the left side of the slide. It depicts a classical building with a grid of windows and a large statue in the foreground, possibly representing a historical or academic setting.

Students with visual disabilities



Keyboard for a computer that is larger than the classic.
Contrasting color. Large buttons and the possibility of locking.

Electronic magnifiers



Portable electronic enlarger for computer

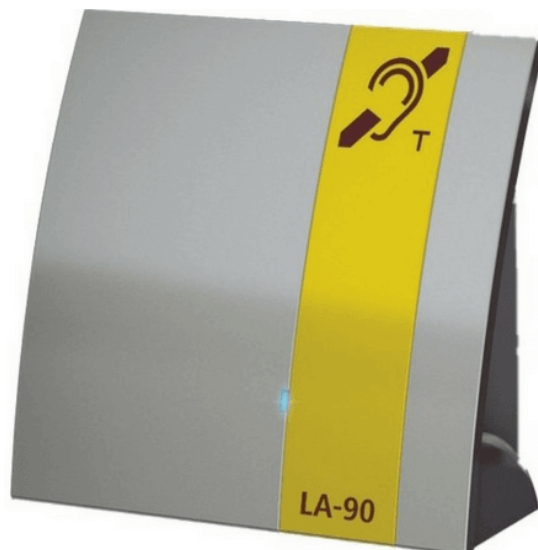
- magnification: up to 80 times
- HD rotating camera
- 4 color modes
- LED backlight



Students with hearing disabilities



Roger set for the hearing impaired with a hearing aid: receiver, microphone for the didactics and microphone for the student. Wireless kit for easy communication in large classrooms.



Portable magnetic loop designed for people with hearing aids. Perfect for the hall. Also adapted to students with headphones - strengthens the voice of the educator.

Students with motor disabilities or students with speaking problems



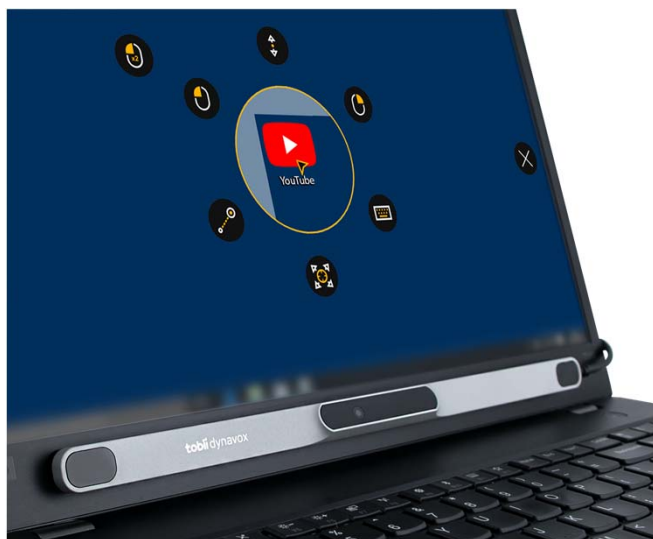
The speaker allows people who don't speak or have problems with speaking to communicate. For these people, it is a chance to communicate with the environment in a way as close as possible to the natural one - that is, through speaking. Using the program on a tablet will help non-speakers establish verbal contact.



Maltron 3D is a two-handed, ergonomic keyboard that adapts to the shape of the hand and to different finger lengths, in order to reduce unnecessary movements and reduce muscle tension.



The Big Track computer mouse has large buttons and helps students with severe hand dysfunctions and even paresis. You can also operate a computer mouse with your foot. Due to the size of the buttons and their contrasting colors, the mouse can also be useful for visually impaired people.



PCEye 5 - Eye Control is the latest generation of eye-tracking devices, designed for use with a laptop or computer. The device allows you to move around the computer using your eyes.



In addition, since last year, classes on making students aware of what disability looks like have been conducted in selected fields of basic studies. Students using specialized equipment can feel for themselves what it is like to be a person with a visual disability, a person in a wheelchair or an elderly person (old age simulator). We want non-disabled students to understand the limitations faced by people with disabilities.

We have removed architectural barriers and adapted:



- Parking
- Ramps
- Toilets
- Lifts
- Corridors
- Special car





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