



## DISABILITIES AT ST HILDA'S COLLEGE

St Hilda's is committed to making arrangements to enable students with disabilities to participate as fully as possible in student life. Offers of places at the College are made to students with disabilities on exactly the same grounds as those to other candidates. However, it is useful to know in advance whether a student taking up their place has any sort of disability, so that advice can be offered about the facilities which may be available, and the help that may be given.

The College has a Disability Fellow (Disability Lead) who is happy to offer advice:

**Professor Lorna Smith**

Tel: 01865 276810 or email: [lorna.smith@st-hildas.ox.ac.uk](mailto:lorna.smith@st-hildas.ox.ac.uk)

We suggest that it is helpful for students with a disability to complete the University Disability Advisory Service Registration and Study Support Form before they come to Oxford. Registration information can be found at <https://www.ox.ac.uk/students/welfare/disability/needs>

We recommend applying for Disability Students Allowance (DSA) from your funding body (e.g. Student Finance England, Student awards agency for Scotland) at the same time. The application process for DSA can take some time so it is a good idea to get this underway before you start your course. You can get further information on this and all other disability related issues from the University Disability Advisory Service:

**University Disability Advisory Service**

Tel: 01865 280459 or email: [disability@admin.ox.ac.uk](mailto:disability@admin.ox.ac.uk)

The University's disability website address is:

<http://www.ox.ac.uk/students/welfare/disability>

### **Students with dyslexia (or another SpLD)**

A student does not have to disclose that they have dyslexia, but there may be benefits in doing so, such as extra funding and tuition support. If you wish to disclose that you have dyslexia and apply for the relevant grant, you will need to provide a copy of an adult test carried out by a Chartered Educational Psychologist in the past 5 years (undergraduate) or past 8 years (postgraduate). You should check with the Academic Registrar or the University's Disability Advisory Service for advice if you are not sure whether you might need a new assessment.

If you already have a relevant report, and would like extra time in exams or use of a computer, you need to contact the Academic Registrar at the beginning of Michaelmas Term, and she will make the relevant request to the University on your behalf.

If you also need help with tuition/support materials, you should apply for Disabled Students Allowance (DSA) from your funding body (e.g. Student Finance England). We recommend that you contact the University Disability Advisory Service first, as above.