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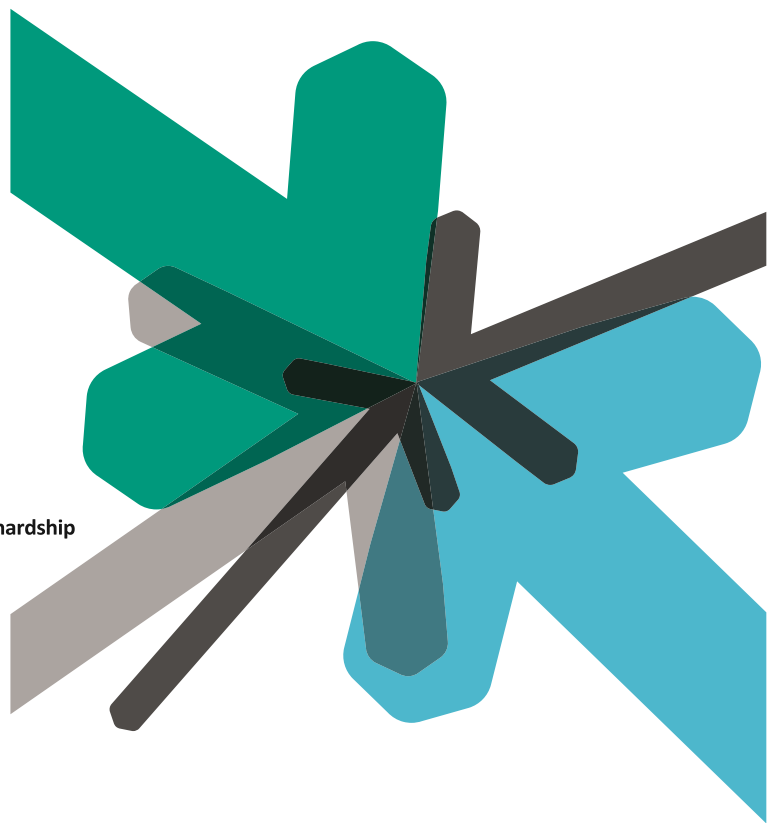
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## STUDYING

## WITH A DISABILITY

## OR CHRONIC ILLNESS

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# BEFORE COMMENCING YOUR STUDIES

## Orientation

The Student Counseling Office will support you when choosing a degree program. Here you can ask questions concerning the content of the degree programs and receive information about all the individual, geographical and organizational factors that play an important role in your decision to study at RheinMain University of Applied Sciences. You will also be given important information on degree programs and admission requirements.

You can find an overview of our degree programs on our homepage: [www.hs-rm.de/studienangebot](http://www.hs-rm.de/studienangebot)

We recommend that prospective students with disabilities or chronic illnesses make a personal appointment at the Student Counseling Office before commencing their studies in order to obtain advice on the possibilities of compensation for disadvantages during their studies, on questions regarding accessibility or to find out where else at the university you can receive further information.

## APPLYING

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Students with a disability/chronic illness can submit a petition in cases of hardship together with their application for admission. In order to do so, evidence must be presented to explain the specific circumstances which make it absolutely necessary to immediately commence studies in the elected degree program.

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Upon presentation of appropriate evidence, an application for compensation for disadvantages to improve the grade or the waiting period can be submitted.

Information on submitting a petition in cases of hardship or applying for compensation for disadvantages can be found on our website: [www.hs-rm.de/vergabeverfahren](http://www.hs-rm.de/vergabeverfahren)

The Admissions Office will inform you about the specific requirements as well as the evidence required for submitting a petition in cases of hardship and for applying for an improvement in waiting time or grades.

## DURING YOUR STUDIES

### Compensation for disadvantages in examinations

If certain *Studienleistungen* (repeatable graded course components) or *Prüfungsleistungen* (graded course components) cannot be completed in the designated form due to disability or chronic illness, a change in the type of examination can be requested based on the individual situation.

Possible forms of compensation for disadvantages may include

- Extensions of time allowed for exams, written assignments,
- written instead of oral examinations or vice versa,
- Replacing compulsory attendance with other types of work,
- Taking periods of illness/limited working capacity into account when determining the time allowed for completing examinations or *Studienleistungen*.

Compensation for disadvantages is always agreed on an individual basis and must be applied for in writing together with the relevant evidence to the Examination Board before the end of the registration period for the examination.

The Student Counseling Office offers advice on questions regarding compensation for disadvantages and will assist you with the application process. In conflict situations, the representative for students with disabilities/chronic illness at RheinMain University of Applied Sciences can provide assistance.

#### Financing your studies

Students with disabilities often have considerable additional requirements in everyday university life. In some cases, this involves covering the additional requirements in terms of living expenses. The additional requirements in connection with studying at a university are addressed, among other things, by *Eingliederungshilfe zum Besuch der Hochschule* (integration assistance for disabled persons attending university). Integration assistance includes the financing of a range of services if the individual's own assets or income are not sufficient and if no other providers are responsible. These include, for example, student assistance services, study-related assistive technology, or mobility aids. You can find information on how to finance your studies at: [www.studentenwerke.de](http://www.studentenwerke.de).