

QUT Library Collection Development Manual

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3.1.6. Accessibility of Electronic Information Resources

1. Principles

QUT Library is committed to providing access to its collections in compliance with the QUT Policy on Accessibility

<http://www.webmanual.qut.edu.au/siteadmin/policies/accessibility.jsp>

and the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* (Cth). It responds in a timely manner to requests for disability-related accommodations when information resources available via the Library are not accessible to a student or staff member with a disability.

2. Services for Accessing Electronic Information Resources

Databases, electronic journals, electronic books and other resources

QUT Library selects and implements electronic information resources giving consideration to the needs of students with disabilities. Where required, additional arrangements will be made to provide particular resources in a format to suit the student. Library clients requiring assistance to access electronic information resources should contact the Library HelpDesk.

Course Materials Database

For units undertaken by students with visual impairment, the Library provides a text version of Course Materials Database readings to facilitate ease of use with screen reading software.

Adaptive Technology Equipment

Adaptive Technology Labs are located in the Gardens Point and Kelvin Grove Campus Libraries and are equipped with specialised computing equipment enabling students with a disability to independently access the various electronic media. Location details for the Adaptive Technology Labs are available from the Library website <http://www.library.qut.edu.au>. Library clients requiring assistance to access this service should contact Disability Services. <http://www.disabilityservices.qut.edu.au>.

3. Services for Accessing Print and Audio-Visual Materials

Retrieval

Library staff are available to retrieve library materials for clients with disabilities. Library clients requiring assistance with retrieval should contact the Library Help Desk.

Adaptive Technology Equipment

Equipment is available to adapt print materials to a format to suit the student. Location details for the Adaptive Technology Labs are available from the Library website <http://www.library.qut.edu.au>.

Library clients requiring assistance to access this service should contact Disability Services <http://www.disabilityservices.qut.edu.au>.

Alternative Formatting

Where required, Disability Services will arrange for required reading textbooks to be supplied in a format to suit the student. Library clients requiring assistance to access this service should contact Disability Services <http://www.disabilityservices.qut.edu.au>.

Audio-Visual Materials

QUT Library normally does not collect closed-captioned audio-visual materials. Library Clients requiring assistance should contact Disability Services <http://www.disabilityservices.qut.edu.au>.

Appendices to guideline

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