



Disability and Dyslexia Support Worker Service
Policy for mentoring while students are studying abroad

Most services within Student Support Services do not provide services or support to students whilst they are studying abroad. However, support for a disabled student abroad might be seen as a reasonable adjustment. Mentors should be clear that they are supported by the 'DDSS office team' when concerned about a student (whether abroad or not).

Students are responsible for preparing for their time abroad and wherever possible, Mentors' emphasis should be on supporting their student to prepare for study abroad, rather than supporting them during study abroad. For more information:

<https://www.sheffield.ac.uk/ssid/students-going-abroad>

The student's department is responsible for ensuring that students will receive appropriate support abroad - or at least that they are aware in advance of any limitations of support.

Other support is/may be available - e.g. Big White Wall or support from the host institution.

If you are concerned about a student, discuss with the Support Worker Co-ordinator and/ or contact the student's Disability Adviser. If the situation is urgent and neither the Support Worker Co-ordinator or Disability Adviser is available, please contact the Clinical Liaison Role in SAMHS - 01142 223635.

Students will be informed (in advance of their time abroad) that, if a Mentor is concerned, they will talk to DDSS and/or a SAMHS colleague and the student's department may be contacted.