

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



10.6.9 Does your university as a body provide access schemes for people with disabilities? (Mentoring / Other targeted support)

Yes, UBT is deeply committed to creating an inclusive learning environment that ensures equal access and opportunity for all students, including those with disabilities. This commitment is implemented through several structured initiatives and support schemes managed primarily by the Educational Support Center (ESC) and other relevant university units.

1. Individualized Mentoring and Counseling

UBT's Educational Support Center provides personalized mentoring and counseling programs designed to meet the unique needs of students with disabilities. Each student is assigned an academic mentor or counselor who offers ongoing guidance, helps set achievable learning goals, and monitors progress throughout the semester.

These mentoring sessions address both academic and emotional aspects — ensuring that students not only adapt effectively to university life but also develop confidence and independence. The ESC collaborates closely with faculty members to adjust teaching strategies or class participation requirements when needed.

2. Special Accommodations in Learning and Assessment

UBT recognizes that students with disabilities may require specific adjustments to demonstrate their true potential. Therefore, the university offers reasonable accommodations such as:

- Extended time or alternative formats for examinations and assignments.
- Assistive technologies (screen readers, magnifiers, etc.) for students with visual or learning impairments.
- Accessible lecture materials, including digital versions of textbooks and recorded lectures.
- Flexible attendance policies for students who may need additional time for medical treatment or physical support.

3. Workshops and Awareness Programs for Faculty and Staff

To build a culture of inclusion, UBT regularly conducts training workshops and awareness sessions for faculty and administrative staff.

These programs focus on:

- Understanding different types of disabilities and the challenges students may face.
- Developing inclusive teaching methods and communication approaches.
- Promoting empathy, respect, and non-discrimination within classrooms and university operations.

Through these sessions, staff members are better equipped to support students effectively and uphold UBT's inclusive values.

Counseling & Guidance

- 1- Support students in adjusting to academic life.
- 2- Encourage growth, self-awareness, and independence.
- 3- Provide individual counseling for academic, social, and psychological concerns.
- 4- Provide one-on-one sessions for stress, family issues, test anxiety, and time management.
- 5- Offer extra support for students with low academic performance.

Disability and Learning Support Services:

- 1- Provide academic accommodations for students with special needs.
- 2- Ensure accessible and inclusive learning environments.
- 3- Promote equal opportunities for academic success and personal growth.
- 3- Students must book an appointment with the Educational Support Center.
- 4- Medical documentation is required.
- 5- Support and accommodations are tailored individually.

Important Notes

- 1- At ESC, we strictly adhere to all UBT policies and procedures.
- 2- Students are kindly asked to book their appointments in advance.
- 3- Confidentiality is a top priority – all student information and sessions are strictly confidential.
- 4- Students should provide their official documents on time to ensure smooth support.

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4. Inclusive Sports Activities

UBT strongly believes that sports are a powerful tool for inclusion and empowerment. The university actively supports the participation of students with disabilities in various sports programs and national competitions. UBT proudly highlights the achievements of its students who have overcome physical mobility challenges to excel in athletics. One distinguished student represented the university in national competitions, winning multiple medals in swimming and athletics, while another secured the Saudi Championship Cup in the Paralympic Powerlifting (88 kg category). These achievements reflect UBT's inclusive environment and the strong encouragement provided by the university to ensure that students with disabilities can thrive in both academic and extracurricular domains.

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