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### Disability Services at the Technical University of Dresden

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# Studying with special needs

Marketing Review of TU Dresden's services to individuals with special needs

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### Introduction of team and company



STUDENT A

**Specialization** Business Administration

#### STUDENT B

**Specialization** Business Administration STUDENT C

**Specialization** Business Informatics STUDENT D Specialization Transport Economics



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### **Question round**

# Orientation:

# Do you know someone who is physically handicapped and studies at TU Dresden?

### What kind of disability does this person have?



### **Types of physical disabilities**

- > 1.) Motor impairments = being restricted in your movement
  - -> students with motor impairments often have:
    - a limited reaching distance
    - means like wheelchairs, walking aid and crutches



 $https://www.study-in.de/en/plan-your-stay/help-and-advice/studying-with-adisability_56822.php$ 



https://www.barrierefreieimmobilie.de/barrierefreiesleben/arten-vonbehinderungen/



### **Types of physical disabilities**

### > 2.) Blind or visual impairments = having reduced or no eyesight

- -> students with limited vision often need:
  - a white stick -> tactile guidance system
  - signs in Braille
  - audio descriptions on all channels at uni





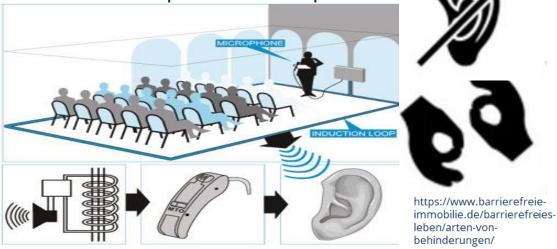
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### **Types of physical disabilities**

3.) Hearing impairments or hearing loss = being limited in your hearing ability

- -> students with hearing problems often need:
  - good lighting and room acoustics
  - vibration signals
  - induction-compatible microphones



http://www.canadianaudiologist.ca/induction-loop-technology-old-news-feature/



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### At this point:

# Would you apply to TU Dresden as a student with special needs?



# Services of TU Dresden for students with special needs – according to the website

### > Facilities:

- the main part of the campus is wheelchair-accessible
- in some lecture halls you find induction microphones
- barrier-free residences
- signs and maps for visually impaired persons

### > Guidance, counselling and personal contact:

- disadvantage compensation for applicants -> Central Student Information and Counselling Service
- individual regulation
- special introductory phase
- counselling service only for persons with special needs
- interest group "Study and Disability"
- working groups: "Studies for the blind and visually impaired"
- disabled sports

\*All information can be found in English language too

#### According to German law: all universities are obligated to solve any problem of a student with special needs



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### Popular searches

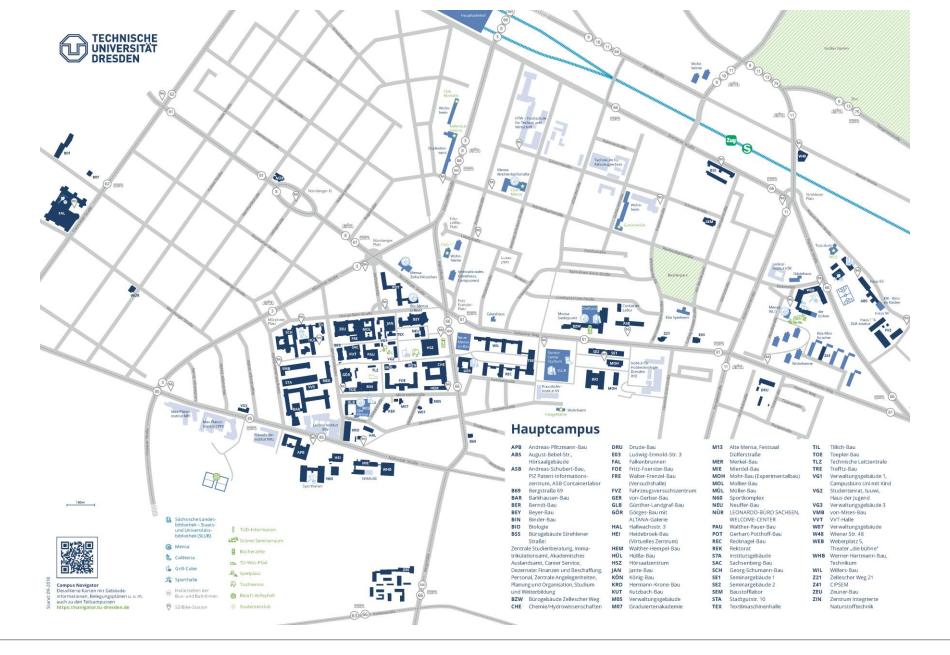
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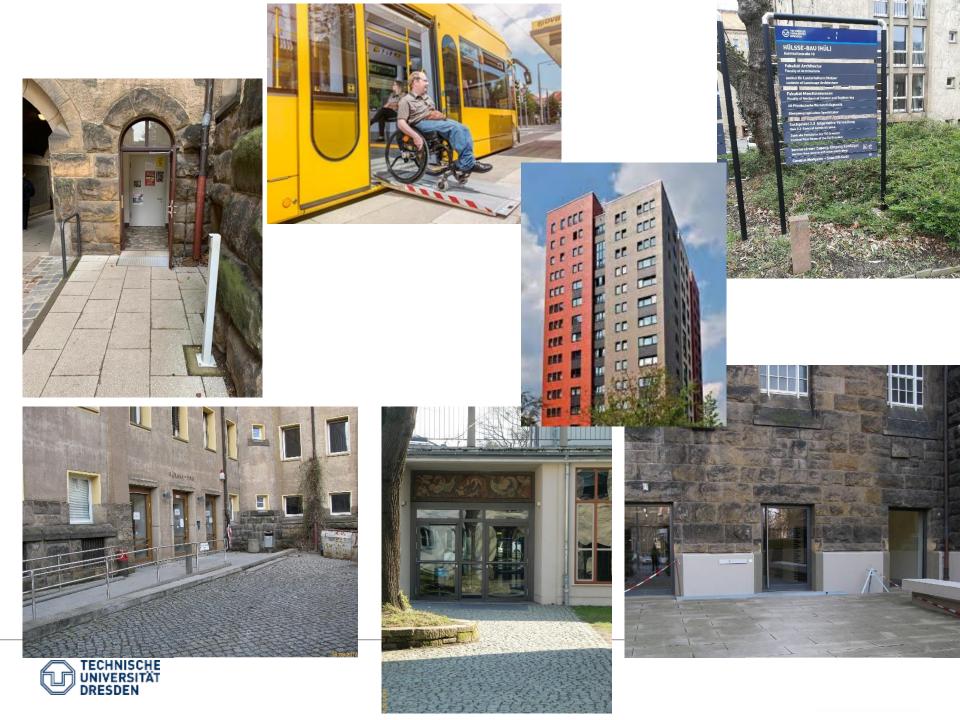




### **Everyday life of a student with special needs**





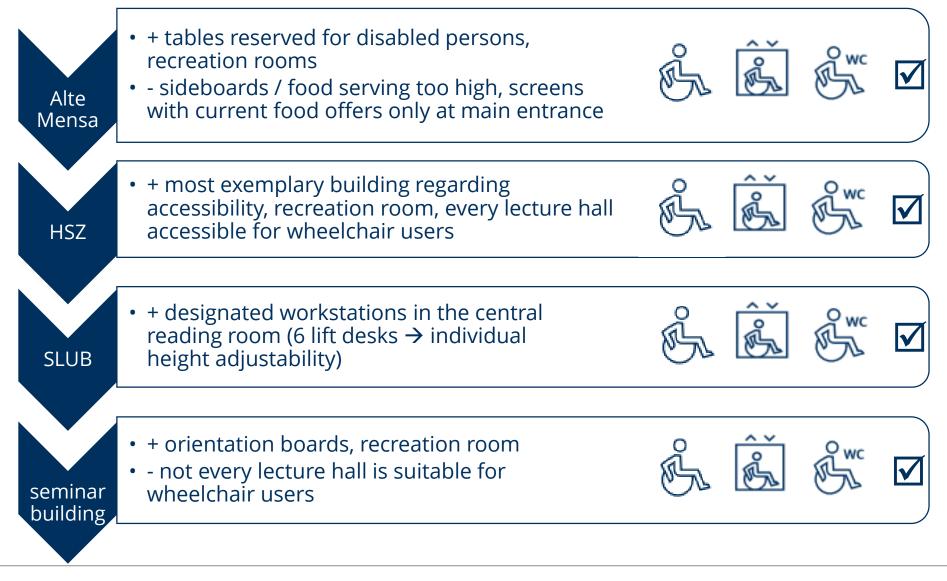




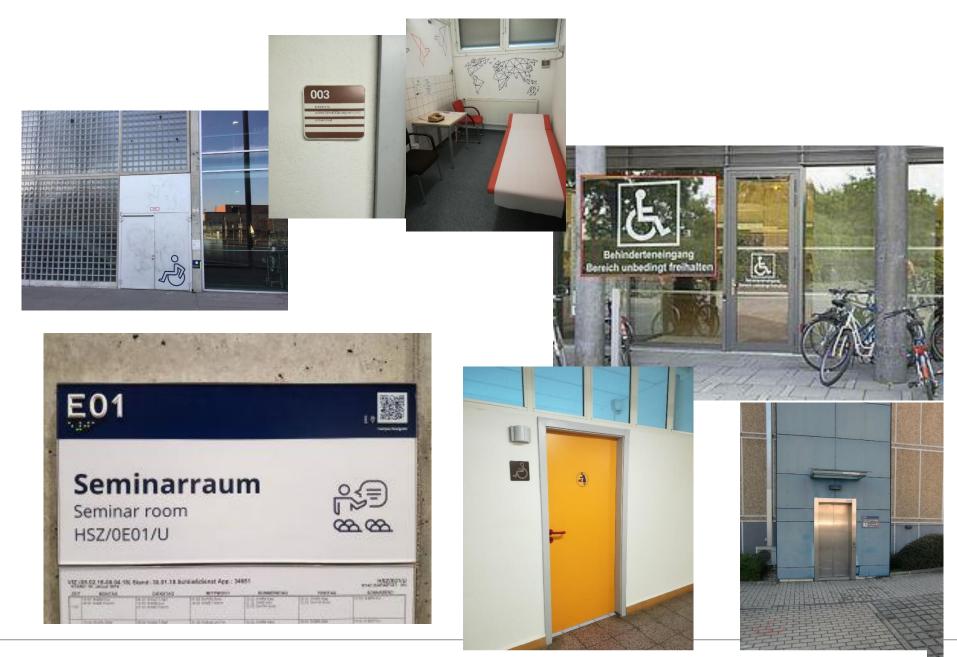
# Do you know how you could enter the HSZ- the main lecture hall building- if you were physically disabled?



### **Everyday life of a student with special needs**









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### **Question round**

### Are there any specific services for students with special needs at other universities/ institutions not mentioned so far?

How does what we have so far seen compare with services that are available at your institutions?



### **Benchmarking & building a scoring model**

### Comparison of 4 Universities:

- Technical University Dresden
- University of Leipzig
- LMU Munich
- Philipps University of Marburg

### > 6 Criterias:

- Information on website
- Councelling services
- Easements
- Technical Equipment
- Campus
- Support-Tools



### **Benchmarking model**

Criteria	Technical University Dresden	University of Leipzig	LMU Munich	Philipps University of Marburg
Information on website	+campus app +/- navigation and structure - not regulary updated - possible translation but low-quality	+ navigation and structure + regularly updated + high- quality translation	<ul> <li>+ navigation and FAQ</li> <li>+ overview of barrier- free rooms</li> <li>+/- design</li> <li>- low-quality</li> <li>translation</li> <li>- search function</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>+ navigation and structure</li> <li>+ overview of barrier- free buildings</li> <li>- search function</li> <li>- low-quality translation</li> </ul>
Councelling service	+ introductory events + wide range of services	- no available information	+ wide range of services and tutors	+ mailing lists + wide range of services and tutors
Easements	+barrier-free dormitories +workgroup for visually impaired people + special maps	<ul> <li>+ workplaces for disabled persons</li> <li>+ 2-3 % of study places are reserved for disabled</li> <li>+ special study plan</li> <li>+/- euro key for WCs for disabled persons</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>+ interest and peer- groups</li> <li>+ adverse balancing</li> <li>+ longer lending times</li> <li>+ barrier- free dormitory</li> </ul>	+ dormitory for studen ts with a need of care + organized shuttle- and nursing-service + private student assistance +/- scripts and literature for disabled persons



### **Benchmarking model**

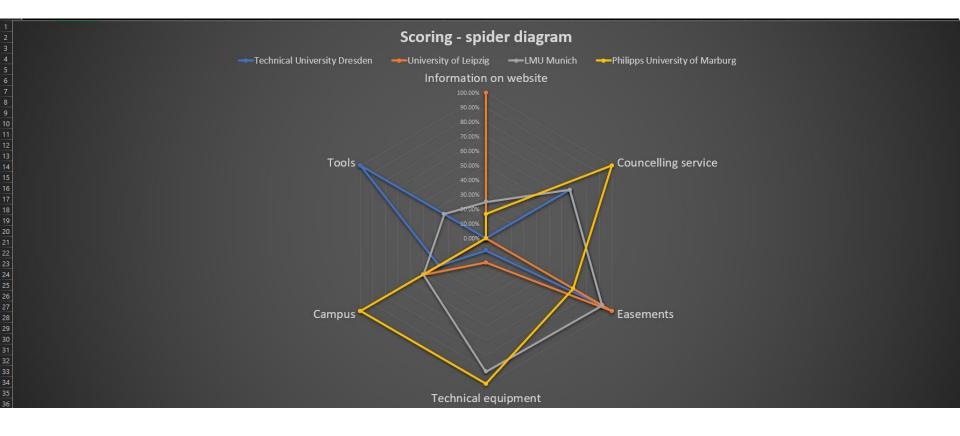
Criteria	Technical University Dresden	University of Leipzig	LMU Munich	Philipps University of Marburg
Technical Equipment	+/- audio induction loop systems in main lecture halls	+ lending of special equipment	<ul> <li>+ audio induction loop systems</li> <li>+ lending of mobile FM systems</li> <li>+workspaces for visually impaired people</li> <li>+ elevators and stair lifts</li> <li>+/- mobile connection in 2 lecture halls</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>+ audio induction loop systems</li> <li>+ desk microphones</li> <li>+ reading device for desktops</li> <li>+ braille alphabet typewriter</li> <li>+ portable reading devices</li> <li>+ elevators and stair lifts</li> </ul>
Campus	+ special signposts for blind students +/- most buildings are barrier-free	+ special signposts for blind people + barrier-free library	+ special room only for disabled persons with special features	<ul> <li>+ special signposts for blind people</li> <li>+ special workspaces</li> <li>with various reading devices</li> <li>+ adapted pc</li> <li>workspaces</li> <li>+ barrier-free</li> <li>infrastructure</li> </ul>
Support-Tools	+ math tool with braille alphabet +bookshare with braille alphabet + ELVIS		+ Sehkon	



Real values						
Criteria	Technical University Dresden	University of Leipzig	LMU Munich	Philipps University of Marburg	Sum	Maximum
Information on website	0.0 pts	6,0 pts	1,5 pts	1,0 pts	8,5 pts	6,0 pts
Councelling service	2,0 pts	0,0 pts	2,0 pts	pts	7,0 pts	3,0 pts
Easements	6,0 pts	6,5 pts	6,0 pts	4,5 pts	23,0 pts	6,5 pts
Fechnical equipment	0,5 pts	1,0 pts	5,5 pts	6,0 pts	13,0 pts	6,0 pts
Campus	1,5 pts	2,0 pts	2,0 pts	4,0 pts	9,5 pts	4,0 pts
Tools	3,0 pts	0,0 pts	1,0 pts	0,0 pts	4,0 pts	3,0 pts
Sum	13,0 pts	15,5 pts	18,0 pts	18,5 pts	65,0 pts	
		Normalized	values			
Criteria	Technical University Dresden	University of Leipzig	LMU Munich	Philipps University of Marburg		
Information on website	0,00%	0 100,00%	25,00%	16,67%		
Councelling service	66,67%	0,00%	66,67%	100,00%		
Easements	92,31%	100,00%	92,31%	69,23%		
Technical equipment	8,33%	16,67%	91,67%	100,00%		
Campus	37,50%	50,00%	50,00%	100,00%		
Tools	100,00%	0,00%	33,33%	0,00%		

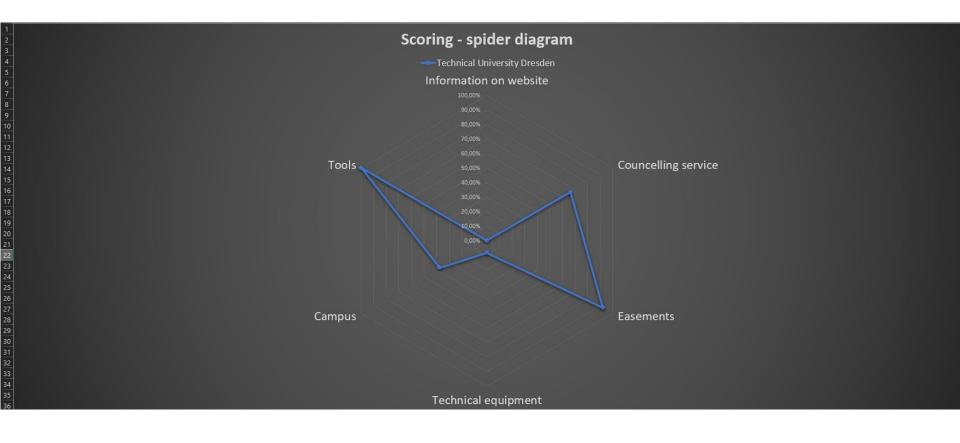


### **Building a scoring model**





### **Scoring model - Evaluation of TU Dresden**





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### **SWOT** analysis

### > What is a SWOT analysis?

- = useful framework which evaluates a company's competitive position by identifying its:
  - strengths (S)
  - weaknesses (W)
  - opportunities (O)
  - threats (T)



**SWOT analysis** (Analysis of strengths, weakness, opportunities and threats re TU Dresden compared to other universities )

Strengths	Weaknesses
<ul> <li>range of counselling services</li> <li>barrier-free dormitories</li> <li>accessibility of campus</li> <li>campus navigator</li> <li>technical equipment for the deaf</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>inconsistencies: website - campus navigator</li> <li>website content not up to date/ missing content</li> <li>signs not all over campus</li> </ul>
Opportunities	Threats
<ul> <li>further expansion of easement factors</li> <li>image as excellence university</li> <li>competitive advantages</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>missing special transportation on campus</li> <li>no dormitories for students with a need for care</li> <li>limited care and assistance service</li> </ul>
	Lack of public awareness



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# Now, after the information presented: Would you apply for TU Dresden as a student with special needs?

### Do you have any ideas of improvements that TUDresden could apply to attract more students with special needs?

Have any ideas here been interesting for application in your institutions?



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