



## Overview of national disability legislation in Poland

### Poland

#### Case study overview

The higher education institutions are required to follow the national legislation. The following Acts are directly relevant to education and hence on disability support within the universities:

- **Law on Higher Education.** ACT of July 27 2005: Law on Higher Education, updated on July 11 2014.
- **Employment and Vocational Rehabilitation of the Disabled Act** of May 9th, 1991 (Dz. U. No. 49, pos. 20).
- **Vocational and Social Rehabilitation and Employment of the Disabled Act** of August 27th, 1997 (Dz. U. No.123, pos. 776).
- The **Act on sign language and other means of communication:** Act of 19 August 2011. About sign language and other means of communication (Dz. U. of 2011, No. 209, item. 1243).
- Law on the **Ratification of the Convention on the Rights Persons with Disabilities.**
- The **Charter of Rights for Persons with Disabilities (1997).** The Charter imposes an obligation on the Polish Government to provide information concerning implementation of the rights of persons with disabilities.



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