

The person with a major functional disability or another recognized disability who submits an application under the Loans and Bursaries Program or the Allowance for Special Needs Program must have this form completed by a general practitioner or specialist. The person must then return the form to Aide financière aux études (AFE).

Student Information

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Last Name

First Name

Date of birth

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Permanent code assigned by the Ministère

General Practitioner or Specialist

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This form must be completed by a general practitioner or specialist.

The person asking you to complete this form is applying for student financial assistance under the Loans and Bursaries Program. If this person is recognized as having a major functional disability, any financial assistance to which he or she is entitled will be paid in the form of a bursary, rather than a loan and a bursary as in most cases. This person will also be given the possibility of studying part-time, if his or her health condition so dictates, but will still qualify for the Loans and Bursaries Program.

Given the financial implications of this medical certificate, it is important to complete all the items and give full, specific answers. Aide financière aux études, the student financial assistance agency, will thus be able to make a well-informed, fair decision regarding this student's case.

Moreover, under the Allowance for Special Needs Program, students with major functional disabilities or any other recognized disabilities are entitled to financial assistance to cover the cost of specialized services, equipment or materials and adapted transportation services that compensate for the effects of their disability and that they must have in order to pursue their studies.

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What type of functional disability does the person have? (Please check the appropriate box.)

- Severe visual impairment:** visual acuity in each eye, after correction by means of appropriate ophthalmic lenses, excluding special optical systems and additions greater than 4.00 dioptries, is not more than 6/21, or the field of vision in each eye is less than 60 degrees in the 180-degree and 90-degree meridians and, in either case, the person is unable to read, write or move about in an unfamiliar environment (students with a severe visual impairment must provide an attestation issued by a low-vision centre, CNIB card or other document attesting to their blindness.)
- Severe hearing impairment:** the ear having the greater hearing capability is affected by a hearing deficiency evaluated, according to 1992 Standard S3.21 of the American National Standard Institute, to be an average of at least 70 decibels, in aerial conduction, on any of the 500, 1 000 or 2 000 Hertzian frequencies; provide a recent audiogram.
- Organic impairment:** Disorder or abnormality in the internal organs forming part of the cardiorespiratory, gastrointestinal or endocrine systems (this category includes disorders or abnormalities of the cardiovascular and respiratory systems, such as cystic fibrosis)
- Motor impairment:** Loss, malformation or abnormality in the skeletal, muscular or neurological systems responsible for body motion.

