Transcript

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NARRATOR: At Swinburne we aim to offer an inclusive and welcoming environment for everyone. If you're living with a disability, medical or mental health condition or have primary carer responsibilities AccessAbility at Swinburne can help you get the most out of your studies by connecting you to library services, health services, in-class support, interpreting services and more.

TOM: AccessAbility has changed my life. I went from thinking that study would never be an option again to having an opportunity to go back and to do what I love and study horticulture.

LOU: Without AccessAbility I wouldn't be able to undertake my studies. It's been great having them advocate for myself.

NARRATOR: AccessAbility can also arrange extensions, additional time for assessment tasks and use of assistive technology in exams.

TOM: AccessAbility has helped me be able to study with a learning difficulty. So, I'm someone that finds it quite hard to take multiple notes. With AccessAbility they were able to, you know, offer me a note taker if I needed.

LOU: My exam wasn't appropriately formatted to cater for my condition. AccessAbility were great in basically presenting my case to the exams team and it meant I could re-sit the exam without losing any marks.

NARRATOR: AccessAbility is a completely free and confidential service open to any student enrolled at Swinburne including international students.

JORDAN: AccessAbility has helped me with my confidence, has helped me be happy in my course and has helped me transition to Swinburne life.

TOM: They've given me the ability to feel good about myself and my illness and feel like, somewhat normal even though I live in a pretty interesting world at the best of times.

NARRATOR: To register for AccessAbility, ask your health practitioner to complete the registration form.

LOU: Get in touch with AccessAbility early. Make a plan with them and then you can just concentrate on study.



SWINBURNE UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY TOM: The earlier you get in, the more chance you have to be at Swinburne.

NARRATOR: And if you're not sure if AccessAbility is for you, the friendly advisers can help. You have a right to receive assistance if you need it.

TOM: Don't hesitate to get in touch with that team at AccessAbility. They are amazing. I fully credit them to helping, you know, me get to where I am now.

JORDAN: Just take a step forward and contact them, you know. It only takes, like, one email.

NARRATOR: To find out more, contact AccessAbility by leaving a message on 9214 5234 or by emailing <u>accessability@swin.edu.au</u>. Or visit us on campus at Swinburne in Hawthorn, Wantirna or Croydon. Get the most out of your studies at Swinburne. Contact AccessAbility today.

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