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Library and Documentation Department

Report:

**Library Equipment and Systems for Disabled Users
Services (2023-2024 Academic Year)**

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Purpose: The purpose of this report is to provide information to the senior management about the current status of library equipment and services for disabled users within Istanbul Gelisim University (IGU) Library and Documentation Department (KDDDB).

Scope: This report covers the situation of the Central Library and Branch Libraries in the 2023-2024 academic year.

Overall rating:

Studies on disabled people are increasing at global and national levels. Being aware that every person is a potential candidate for disability is an important step in approaching the issue.

In this context, all institutions and organizations should differentiate their services by considering disabled people and constantly monitor whether disabled people can access the services.

Library and Doc. in November 2023. Head of Department A. Senol Armagan attended the "III. Accessible Libraries Workshop". The workshop was held on 29-30 November 2023, organized by Turkey Barrier-Free Information Platform and hosted by Bartın University, in cooperation with ASHB General Directorate of Disabled and Elderly Services, KTB Libraries and Publications General Directorate and Manisa Celal Bayar University.



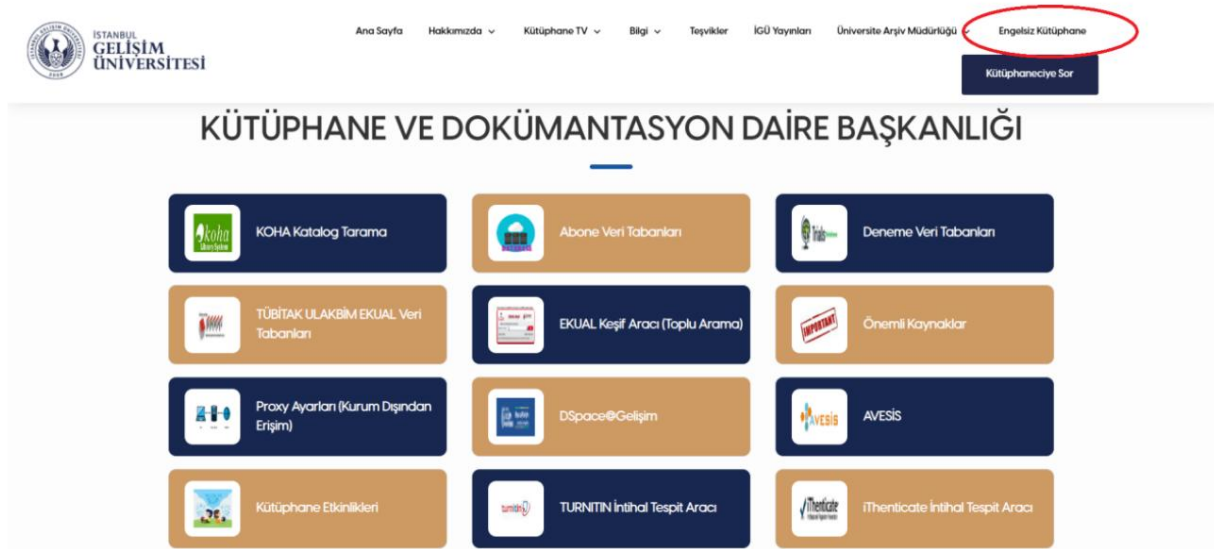
The workshop covered how to provide appropriate equipment in libraries for disabled people, databases, establishment of joint committees, the need for a common interface for audiobooks, differentiated services for fully and partially disabled people, mobile applications and accessible born. concepts were emphasized. Our Head of Department contributed with his questions and comments to the workshop in which Ministry officials also participated.

Services and equipment for disabled people are increasing in our library. These include the absence of stairs at campus and building entrances, ramps for the disabled, disabled-friendly elevators, and computers primarily allocated to our disabled users.

The helpfulness, friendliness and friendliness of the library staff also help our services reach those concerned.

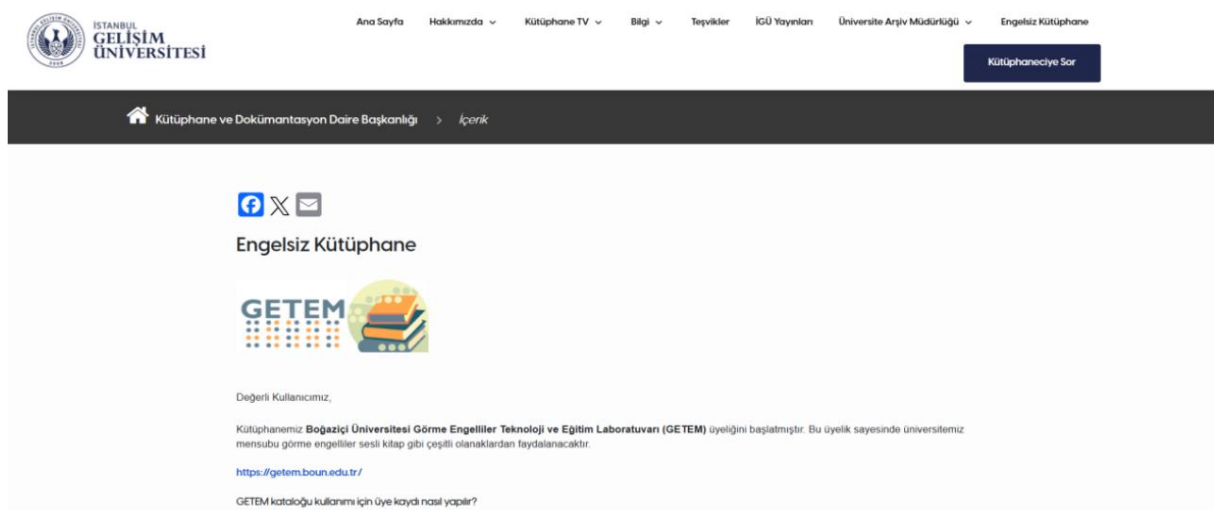
Efforts are made to eliminate the identified deficiencies. These include keyboard and mouse sets suitable for disabled people. Necessary efforts are being made to ensure that our users with visual and auditory disabilities can benefit from the library facilities at least as much as our non-disabled users.

Our library <https://kddb.gelisim.edu.tr> **A Barrier-Free Library** sub-page has been created on the website . The screenshot is below.



Our library has started its membership with Boğaziçi University Visually Impaired Technology and Education Laboratory (GETEM). Thanks to this membership, visually impaired members of our university will benefit from various opportunities such as audio books. The access link and screenshot are below.

<https://getem.boun.edu.tr>



Content of our Barrier-Free Library website (<https://kddb.gelisim.edu.tr/tr/idari-icerik-engelsiz-tıkhane>)

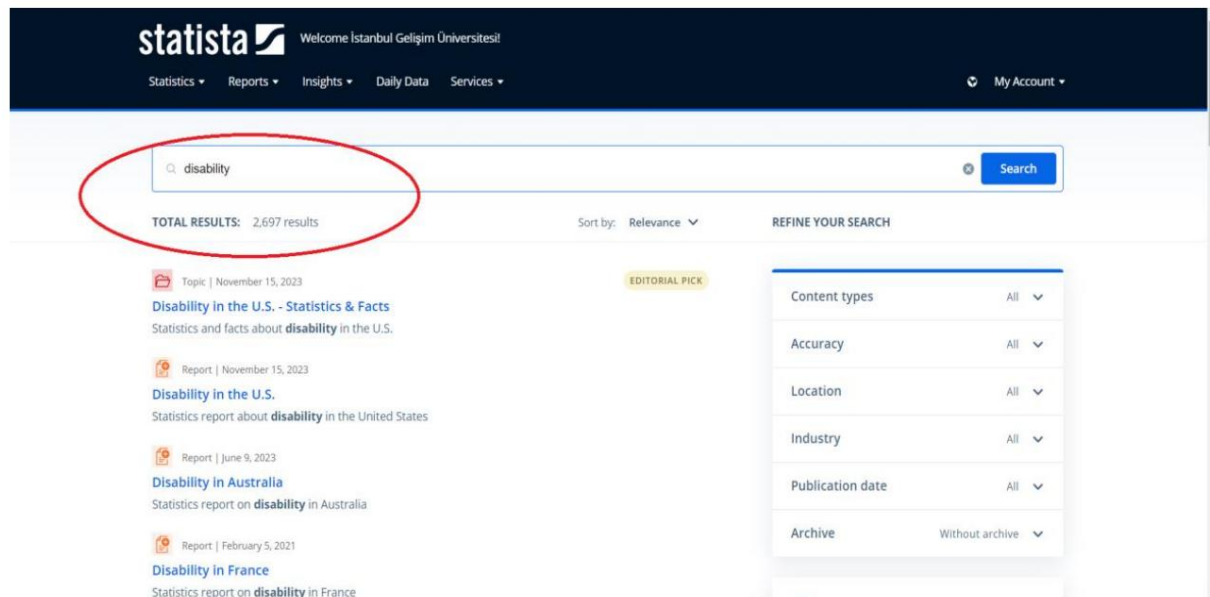
All our users, whether they have a disability or not, can access the library's electronic resources 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, regardless of time and place. For this, each of our users [has access to https://kddb.gelisim.edu.tr/tr/idari-duyuru-vekil-server-proxy-sistemimiz-yenilendi](https://kddb.gelisim.edu.tr/tr/idari-duyuru-vekil-server-proxy-sistemimiz-yenilendi) on their own computer. You need to make the settings on the page. After these settings are made, all electronic content of the library can be accessed from all over the world.

Our library brings together many events with our users every year. These events include the Library Week event held once a year, frequently held webinars, and events organized by other institutions and organizations on certain dates.

For these events, it is sufficient to be registered at our university.

IGU Institutional Open Access Archive <https://acikerisim.gelisim.edu.tr> It provides service on a 24/7 basis. This system includes many studies on disabled people. At the same time, it removes the obstacles to accessing scientific knowledge and provides access to knowledge. Users can download and read open access resources from wherever they are.

In the **Statista** database , to which our library subscribes, 2697 types of statistics about disabled people are available to researchers (See the picture below).



The screenshot shows the Statista website interface. At the top, there is a dark blue header with the Statista logo and the text "Welcome Istanbul Gelişim Üniversitesi!". Below the header, there are navigation links for "Statistics", "Reports", "Insights", "Daily Data", and "Services", along with a "My Account" dropdown menu. The main content area features a search bar with the word "disability" entered and a red circle around it. To the right of the search bar is a blue "Search" button. Below the search bar, it displays "TOTAL RESULTS: 2,697 results" and "Sort by: Relevance". To the right of the search results is a "REFINE YOUR SEARCH" section with several filters: "Content types", "Accuracy", "Location", "Industry", "Publication date", and "Archive". The search results list several reports, including "Disability in the U.S. - Statistics & Facts", "Disability in the U.S.", "Disability in Australia", and "Disability in France".

In a search made on the **EBSCOHOST** database to which our library subscribes, 632,131 full-text publications regarding disabled people were accessed. Among these, academic journals (253,617), news (228,175), magazines (60,050), reports (46,071), trade publications (11,739).
It leads the way in terms of quantity (See the picture below).

The screenshot shows the EBSCOHOST search interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with options like 'New Search', 'Subjects', 'Publications', 'Company Information', 'Images', and 'More'. A search bar contains the word 'disability' and a 'Search' button. Below the search bar, the results are displayed as 'Search Results: 1 - 10 of 632,131'. The main content area shows a list of search results, with the first one titled '1. Constructs and Theoretical Connections of Disability Management Policies, Managerial Behaviours, and Return-To-Work Outcomes.' by Annett, Mike, published in the American Journal of Management in 2023. The interface also includes a 'Refine Results' sidebar on the left and a 'Company' sidebar on the right.

In a search regarding disabled people in the **PROQUEST E-Book Central** database, to which our library is subscribed, 14,192 electronic books were accessed (See the picture below).

The screenshot shows the ProQuest E-Book Central search interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with options like 'Collections', 'Settings', 'Users', 'Reports', 'Your Cart', 'Help', and 'Log Out'. A search bar contains the word 'disability' and a 'Search' button. Below the search bar, the results are displayed as 'Results 1 to 10 of 14192 titles where keyword contains all of 'disability''. The main content area shows a list of search results, with the first one titled 'Disability' by Cami, A.; Chagier, E.; Schneider, S., published in 1984. The second result is 'Disability Histories' by Buch, Susan; Rembas, Michael, published in 2014. The interface also includes a 'Refine Your Search' sidebar on the left and a 'Select Page' / 'Export Results' section on the right.

In a search on disabled people in the **PROQUEST Dissertations & Theses Global** database, to which our library is subscribed, 22,159 electronic theses were accessed (See the picture below).

ProQuest Erişimi sağlayan İstanbul Gelsim Üniversitesi

ProQuest Dissertations & Theses Global

subject(disability)

Sadece doktora tezleri Alıntı Bağlantıları Ek sınırlamalar - El Yazması türü: Doktora tezleri, Master tezleri

22.159 sonuçlar

Aramayı düzenle son yapılan aramalar Aramayı/uyarını kaydet

1-20 seç

1 A Transportation Study With Implications for Those With Disabilities
Schlichting, Michael D. The University of Wisconsin - Madison ProQuest Dissertations Publishing, 2024. 30988621.
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Hill, Megan Trent University (Canada) ProQuest Dissertations Publishing, 2024. 30690406.
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3 Disability Identity Development in Early Childhood: Developing a Children's Book About Disability from a Social Justice Perspective
McCarrick, Jessica Alliant International University ProQuest Dissertations Publishing, 2024. 30523681.
Tam Metin

Sıralama kriteri: İlgililik

Şuna sınırlandır: Tam metin

Yayınlanma tarihi: 1896 - 2024 (on yıllar)

Bir tarih aralığı girin

IN OUR CENTRAL LIBRARY AND BRANCH LIBRARIES EXAMPLES OF EQUIPMENT AND SERVICES FOR THE DISABLED

1) CENTRAL LIBRARY:

IGU Central Library operates on the ground floor of Gelisim Kule Campus. Both the campus and library entrances are suitable for disabled people to access the library.

There are no steps at the entrance. The floor is suitable for use by vehicles such as wheelchairs. There is parking inside and outside the campus.



Campus entrance



Campus building entrance



A disabled-friendly elevator in the building where the Central Library is located



Central Library entrance



Central Library entrance



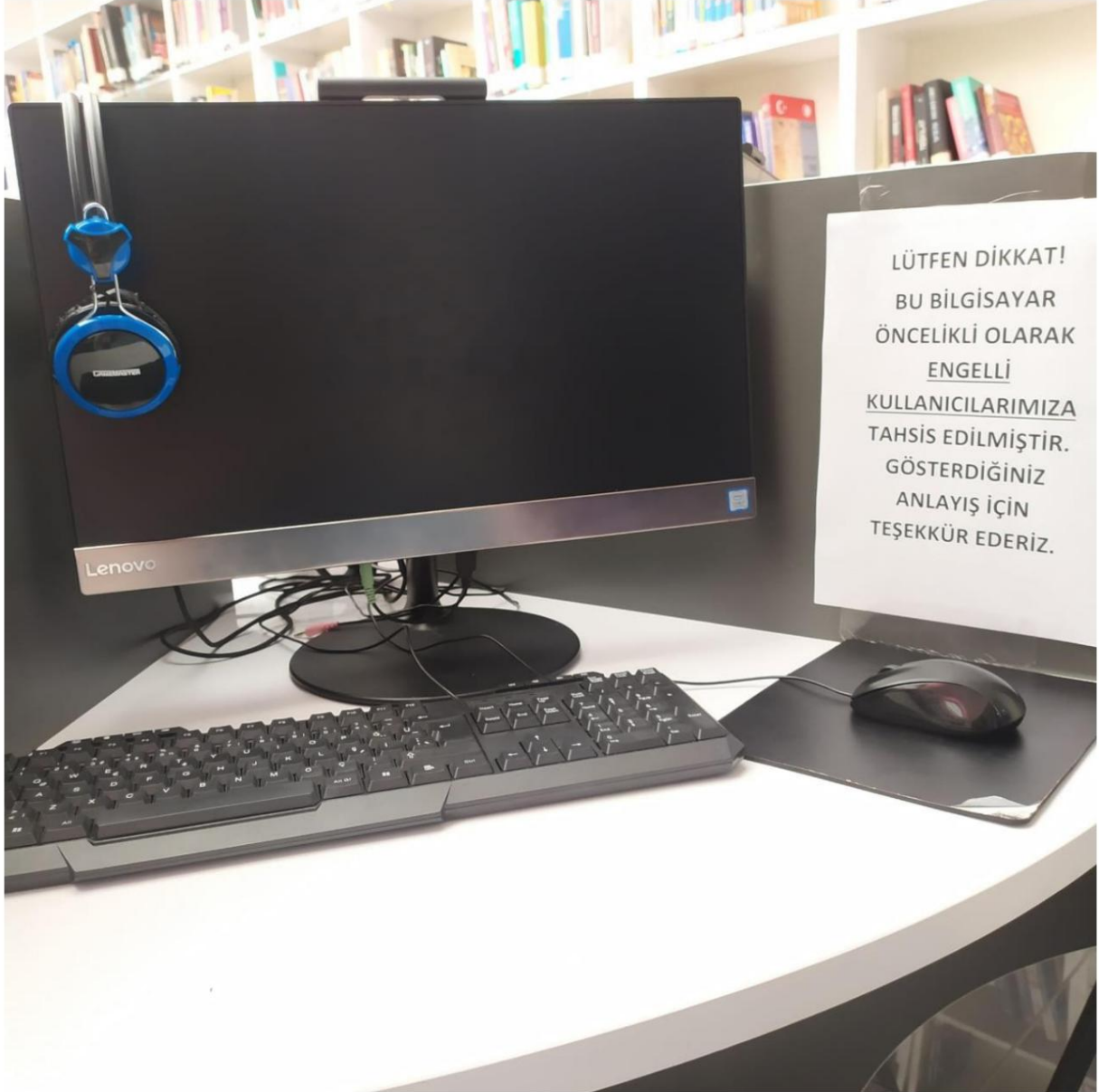
Disabled ramp inside the Central Library



Disabled ramp and step-free corridor inside the Central Library



A view from inside the Central Library



A computer in the Central Library that is primarily reserved for the use of disabled users.

In our Central Library located in the Tower Campus, a computer is allocated primarily to our disabled users. Computers have built-in Internet access, cameras and headphones. There is a lack of a disabled-friendly keyboard and mouse in our library, but efforts are continuing to eliminate this deficiency.

2) HEALTH SCIENCES LIBRARY

Our disabled users can easily reach our Health Sciences Library, located in the Rectorate building in Block A, via the elevator after entrance. Step-free entrances are available for the disabled.

Our elevators are equipped for disabled people. There is parking inside and outside the campus.



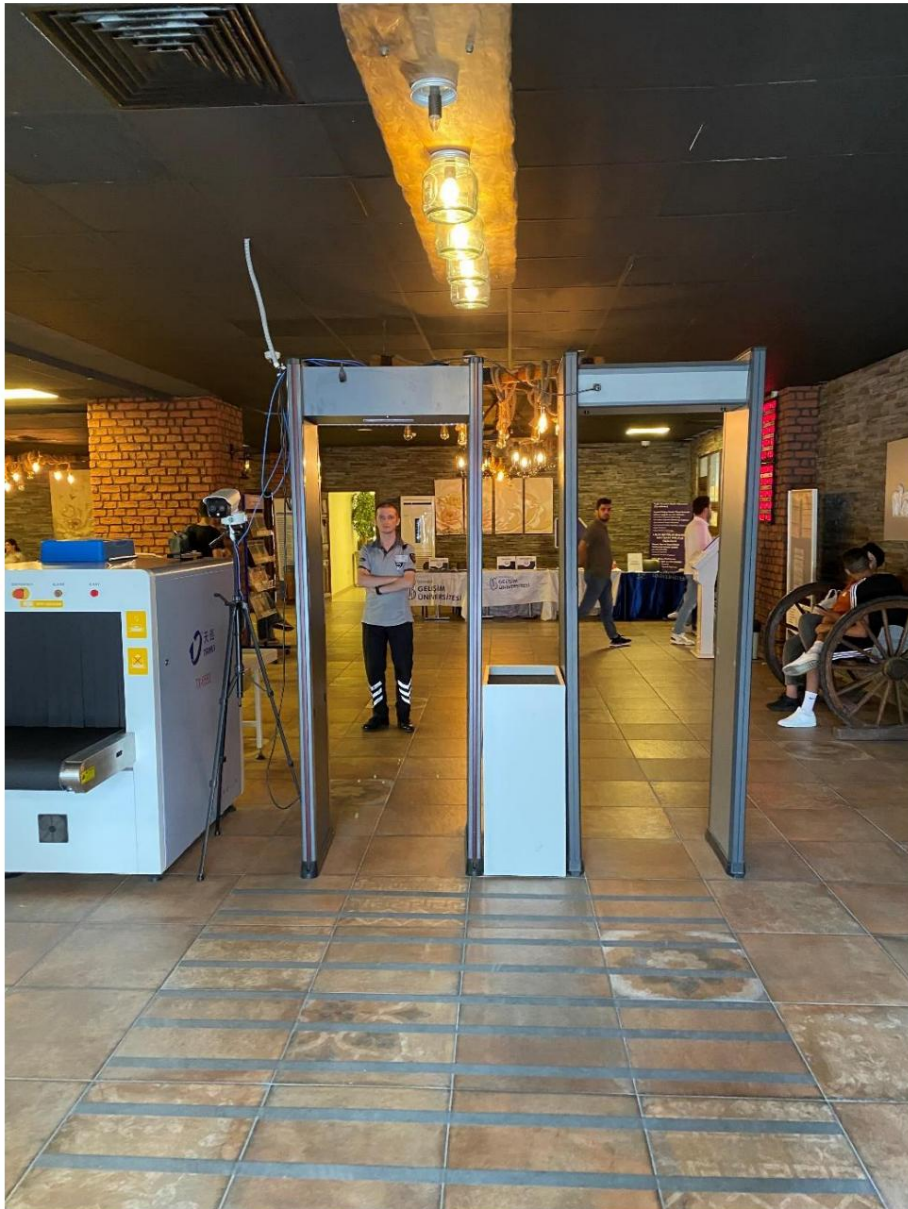
Block A entrance



Block A alternative entrance door



Block A ground floor transition ramp



A view from the step-free floor and security checkpoint at the entrance of Block A



A view from the entrance of Block A



Library direction sign at the entrance of Block A



Images from our disabled-friendly elevators in Block A



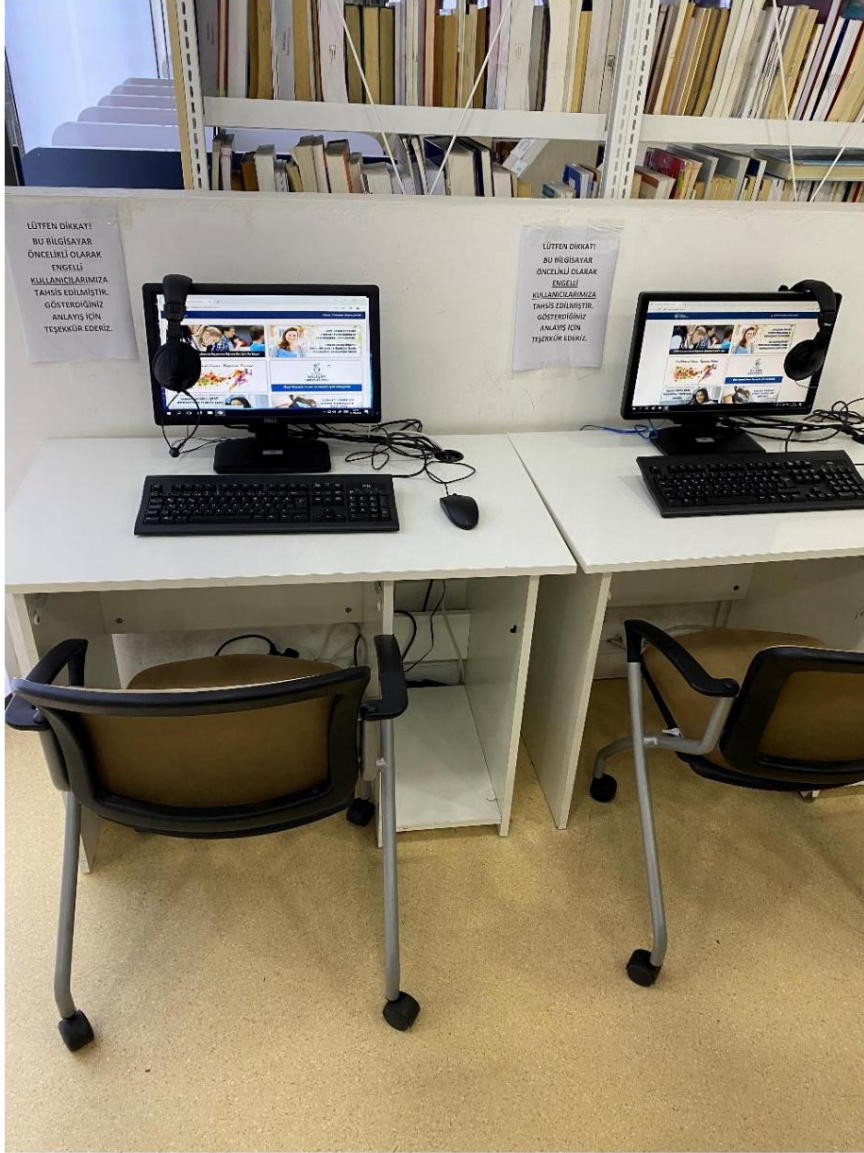
Step-free floor at the entrance of the Health Sciences Library



A view from inside the library



Easily accessible shelves for disabled users



Two computers from the Health Sciences Library, primarily allocated to our disabled users

A computer in our Health Sciences Library located in the Rectorate Campus is allocated primarily to our disabled users. Computers have built-in Internet access and headphones. There is a lack of a disabled-friendly keyboard and mouse in our library, but efforts are continuing to eliminate this deficiency.

3) SFL LIBRARY

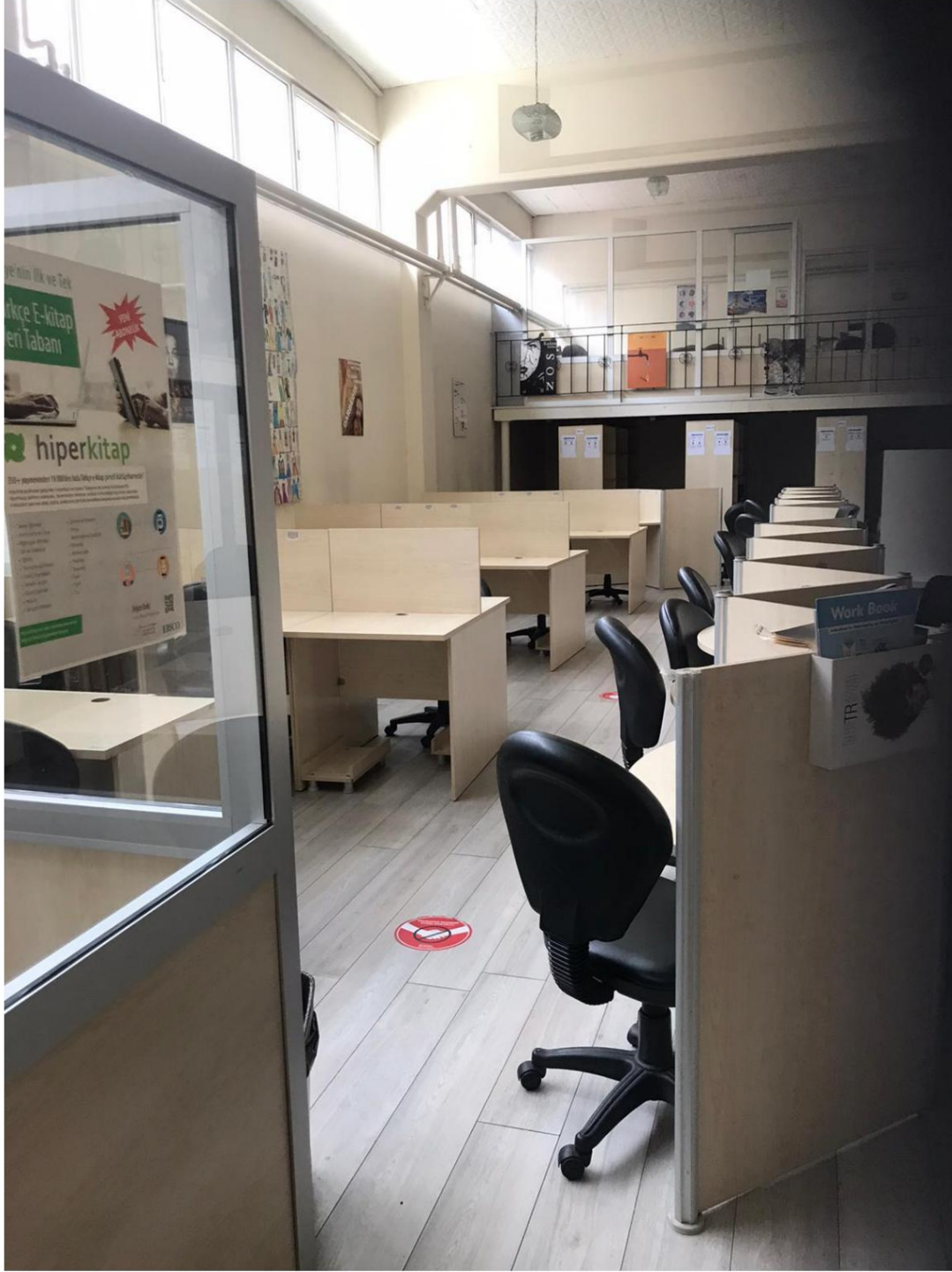
This Library is located on the ground floor of our University's D Block, School of Foreign Languages building. Access is easy. There are no steps at the entrance. There is an elevator to go to the upper floors if desired. There is parking inside and outside the campus.



Building entrance and elevator



A view from the SFL Library entrance



A view from inside the SFL Library



A view of the step-free floor and shelves of the SFL Library

4) VOCATIONAL SCHOOL LIBRARY

This Library is located on the 2nd floor of our University's G Block Vocational School building. Access is easy. There are no steps at the entrance. Disabled-friendly elevator is available. There is parking inside and outside the campus.



A view from the side entrance of the Vocational School Building



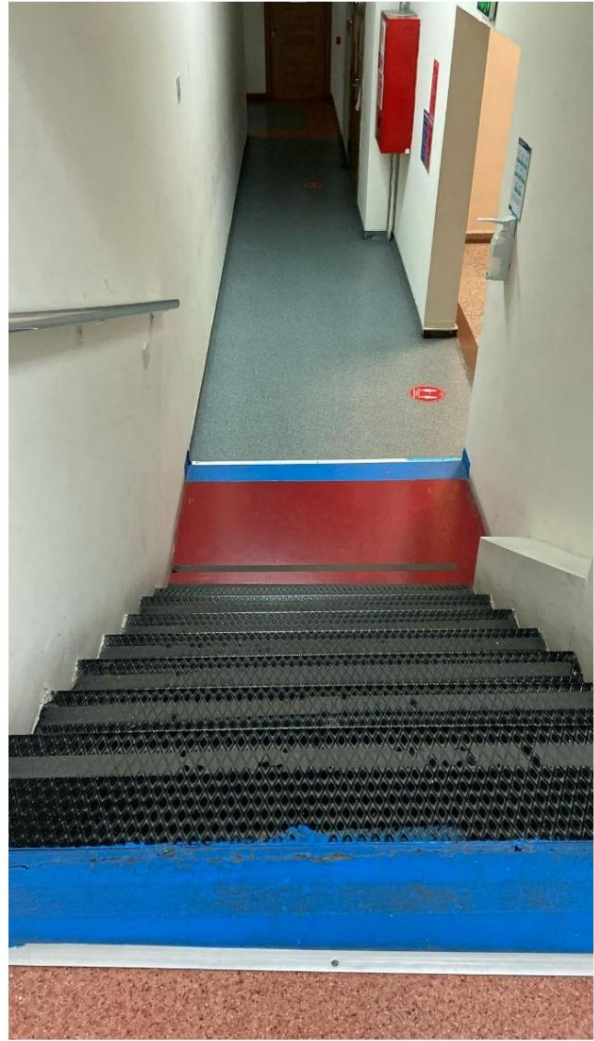
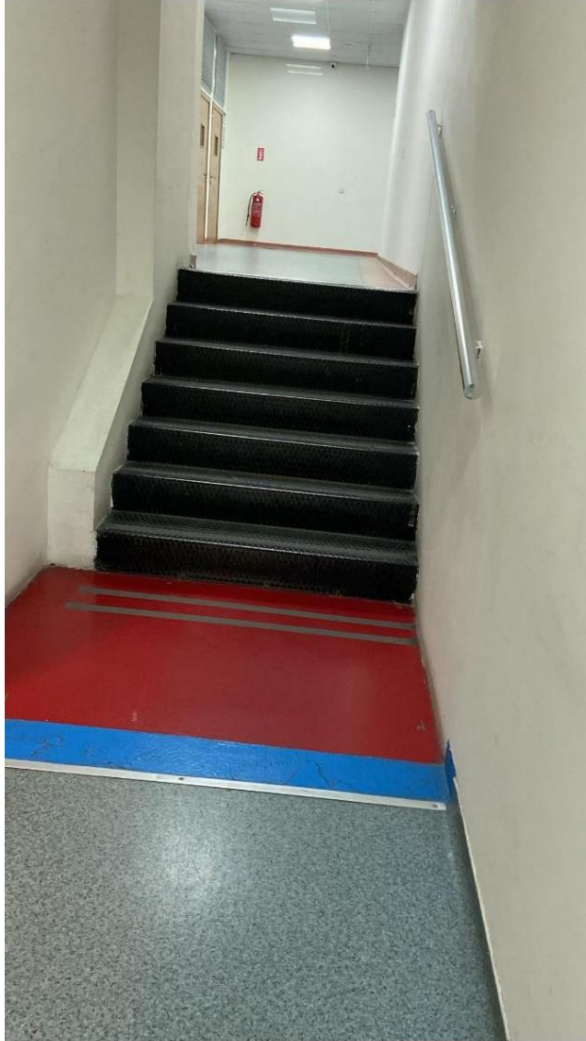
Vocational School Building entrance and elevator



Disabled-friendly elevator in Vocational School Building



A view from the corridor floor leading to the library in the Vocational School Building



There is a stepped floor in the continuation of the corridor leading to the Vocational School Library, but work is continuing to convert this part into an inclined ramp.



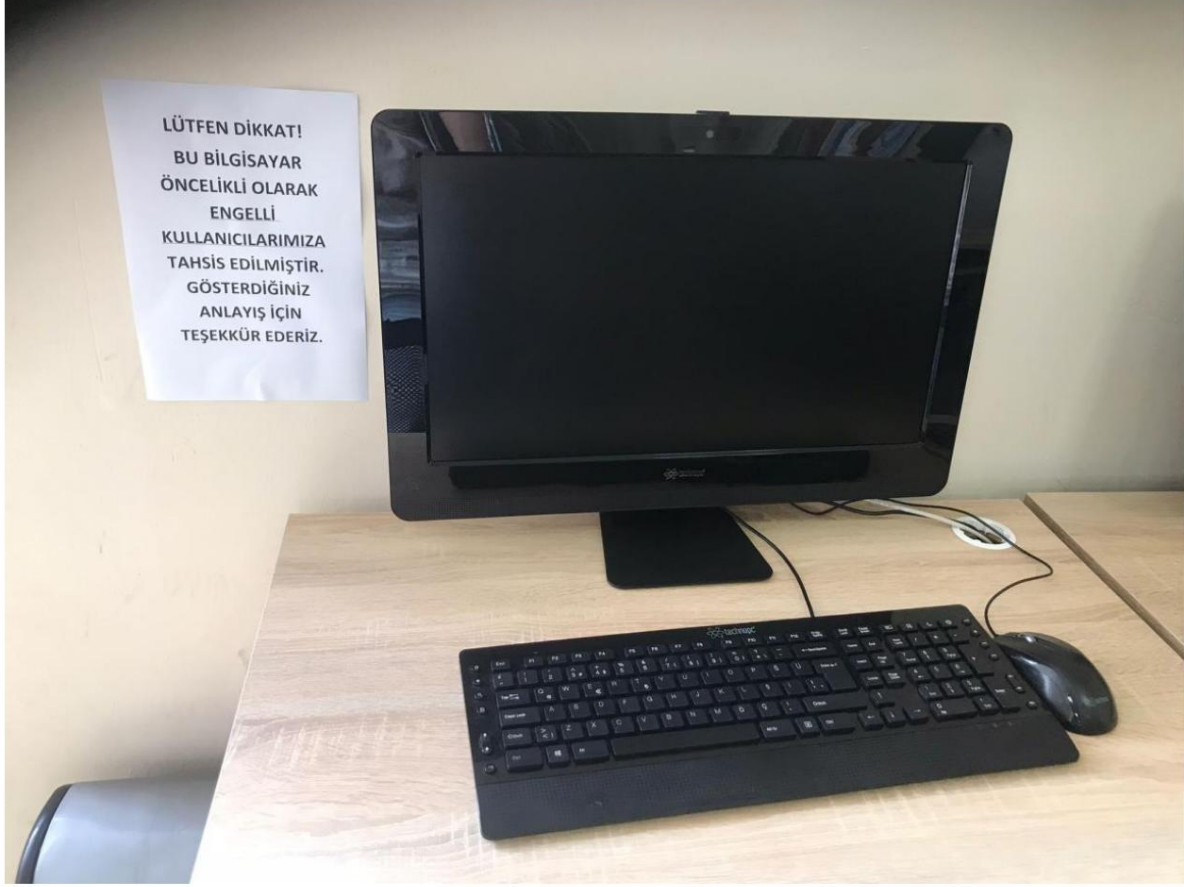
Library entrance door in Vocational School Building (left)



Vocational School Library entrance



Vocational School Library shelves



Computer allocated primarily to disabled users

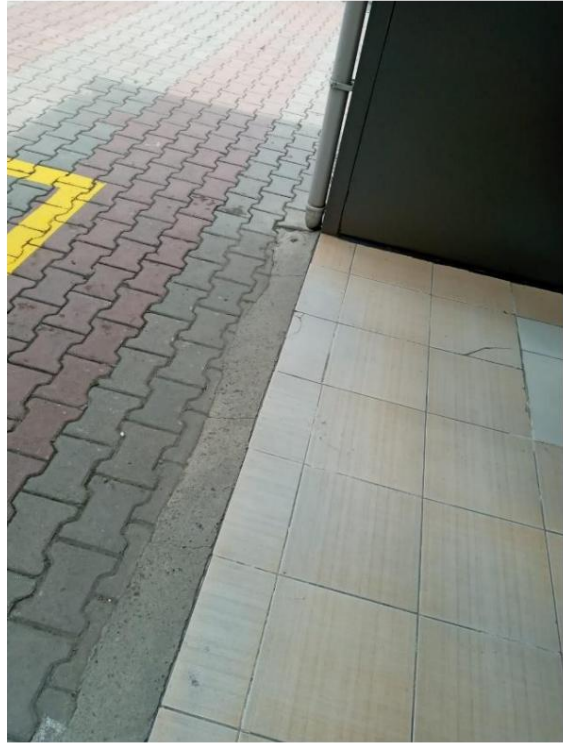
A computer in our Vocational School Library located on the Vocational School Campus is allocated primarily to our disabled users. Computers have built-in Internet access, cameras and headphones. There is a lack of a disabled-friendly keyboard and mouse in our library, but efforts are continuing to eliminate this deficiency.

5) INSTITUTE LIBRARY

This Library is located on the rooftop of the F Block Institute building of our University. There is an elevator up to the 4th floor. There is a disabled ramp at the exterior entrance of the building. There is parking inside and outside the campus.



F Block Institute Building entrance



F Block entrance turnstile entrance and a view from the ground



Disabled ramp at the entrance of Block F



A view from the step-free floor at the entrance of the building



F Block elevator entrance



A view from the entrance of the Institute Library



A view from the entrance of the Institute Library. There are steps between the entrance door and the 4th floor elevator. Work continues to design this section as disabled-friendly.



A view of the shelves and floor of the Institute Library



There is a computer allocated primarily for disabled users in the Institute Library.

A computer in our Institute Library located on the Institute Campus is allocated primarily to our disabled users. Computers have built-in Internet access and headphones.

There is a lack of a disabled-friendly keyboard and mouse in our library, but efforts are continuing to eliminate this deficiency.

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