**Assistance Dog behaviour agreement- Student**

I have read the University’s policy on Assistance Dogs and understand the following:

* My dog remains my responsibility at all times.
* I will ensure that I have pet insurance that has public liability cover. I will provide evidence of this each year to Disability and Dyslexia Service (DDS).
* I will not leave my assistance dog unattended at any time on University grounds.
* I will ensure that my assistance dog is healthy, that they have regular flea and worm treatments and vaccinations as appropriate. I will take veterinary advice regarding their welfare and provide evidence of regular ongoing vaccinations.
* I will ensure that my dog is always on a lead and under my control when on University grounds
* The University strongly recommends that an assistance dog is easily identifiable as an assistance animal when it is working, and I will discuss with DDS if there is a reason why this would not be possible for my animal.
* DDS will make my department aware that I may have an assistance animal with me in lectures and seminars, through the Reasonable Adjustment Plan (RAP). It is my responsibility to make staff aware for any other meetings.
* If I have any labs, practicals or field trips it is my responsibility to discuss details with DDS and my department.
* I will do all I can to ensure that when attending lectures, seminars or meetings with me, my assistance animal sits quietly next to my chair.
* I will inform DDS as soon as possible if there are any complaints or negative comments made about my assistance dog.
* If someone is upset/anxious/scared of my dog, it is my responsibility to sit as far away from them as practical and possible to limit any concern.
* If my dog misbehaves by barking, not sitting still or distracts other members of the University I will ensure that this is stopped. This may mean leaving the room or area.
* If there are students or staff who are allergic to my animal in lectures/seminars, or in meetings, I understand that this will be discussed with me in order to identify whether there are arrangements that can be put into place to minimise any risk.
* If my dog damages any University property I will pay for any repairs or replacements.
* I will ensure that my dog is toilet trained and uses the spending pens provided.
* In the event of a complaint regarding the behaviour of my animal, I understand that the animal is subject to the standards of conduct as outlined in the University’s policy on Assistance dogs and this agreement.
* The University reserves the right to investigate any concerns raised regarding inappropriate behaviour of my animal and I understand that the University has the right to prohibit entry to my dog if it poses a threat to the health & safety of others, or if the animal does not meet the criteria for an assistance dog outlined above in this document.

**Signed:**  **Date:**

**Name: Student Number:**