



INSTRUCTIONAL CONSULTING

# UDL & Accessibility Resources



# What is Universal Design for Learning?

A proactive approach to creating an inclusive curriculum by reducing/removing barriers “to improve and optimize teaching and learning for all people based on scientific insights into how humans learn.”

<http://udlguidelines.cast.org>



# What is Universal Design for Learning?

## Engagement (Affective)

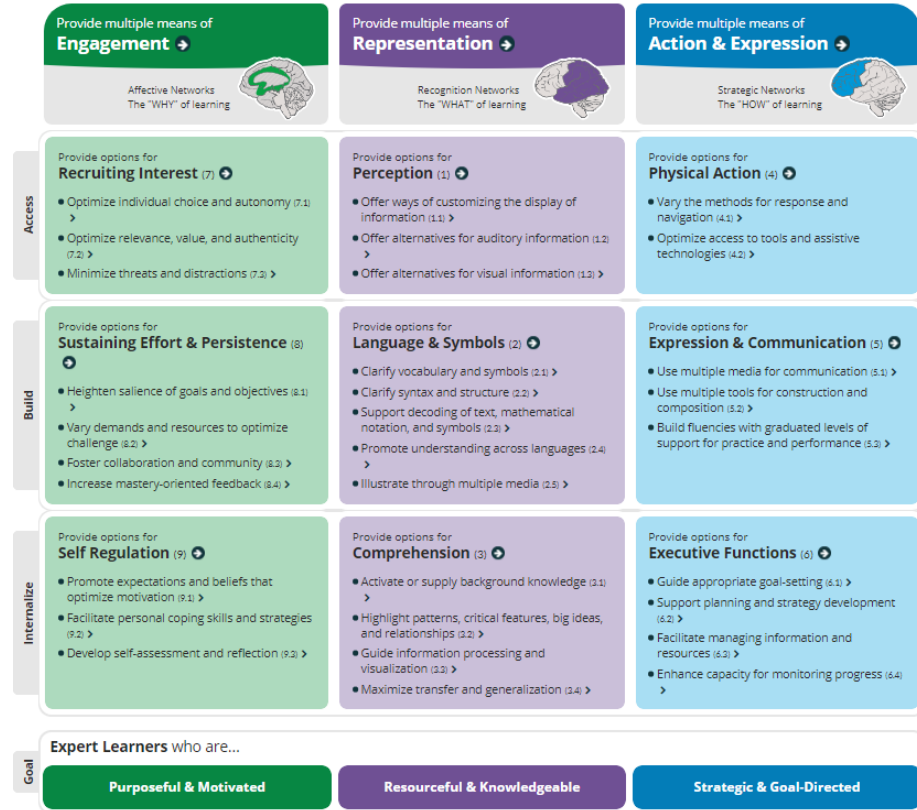
Tap into learners' interests, offer appropriate challenges, increase motivation

## Representation (Recognition)

Various ways of acquiring information and knowledge

## Action & Expression (Strategic)

Alternatives for presenting what they know



# What is Accessibility?

“Accessibility is the degree to which a product, device, service, environment, or facility is usable by as many people as possible, including by persons with disabilities.”

<https://accessibility.iu.edu/understanding-accessibility/>



# Students with Disabilities (2015-16)

Percentage of  
**undergraduates** with  
disabilities

**19.4%**

Percentage of  
**postbaccalaureates** with  
disabilities

**11.9%**



# Instructional Consulting Assistance

## Design of learning resources

- Materials: multiple forms of representation
  - Graphic syllabus
  - Closed captions in Kaltura videos
- Assignments: multiple forms of expression
  - Differentiated assignments in Canvas
- IC Summer Internship Program



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## Accessibility tools/training

- UDOIT accessibility checker in Canvas

### 67 Errors

30 No table headers found

1 Links should contain text

18 Multimedia objects should have text equivalents (e.g., transcripts).

18 All "embed" elements have an associated "noembed" element

### 79 Suggestions

3 Consider adding headings to your document to create more structure

2 Link text should be descriptive

20 Avoid using styles for document structure

18 An object might require a long description

18 Multimedia may require plugins to display properly.

18 Interfaces within objects should be accessible



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Assignments 6 of 10 have issues.

process time: 1.23s

+ Plagiarism Tutorial and Test [🔗](#)

1 Suggestions

+ Letter to the Professor [🔗](#)

1 Errors 1 Suggestions

+ Learning Theories Matrix and Explanation Guide [🔗](#)

1 Errors 2 Suggestions

+ Issues in the IT Field [🔗](#)

1 Errors 2 Suggestions

+ Diagramming the Fields of IT and HPT [🔗](#)

1 Errors 2 Suggestions

+ Case Analysis for the HPT Field [🔗](#)

2 Errors 4 Suggestions





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### 1 x Link text should be descriptive

Links should be descriptive of the content they're linking to, such as 'Class Schedule' rather than 'schedule.html' or 'click here'.

#### 1. Close Issue Source

##### Preview

[https://iu.mediaspace.kaltura.com/media/R511+Fall+2018+on+21+Aug+2018/1\\_0qgnm2ez](https://iu.mediaspace.kaltura.com/media/R511+Fall+2018+on+21+Aug+2018/1_0qgnm2ez)

##### Source

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Line 2: <a href="https://iu.mediaspace.kaltura.com/media/R511+Fall+2018+on+21+Aug+2018/1_0qgnm2ez">https://iu.mediaspace.kaltura.com/media/R511+Fall+2018+on+21+Aug+2018/1_0qgnm2ez</a>
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# Resources: IU Online Courses

- ADA Awareness for Faculty course: <https://expand.iu.edu/browse/e-training/courses/ada-for-faculty>
- Creating an Accessible Syllabus using Microsoft Word: <https://expand.iu.edu/browse/ittraining/single/courses/creating-an-accessible-syllabus-using-microsoft-word>
- IU Teaching Online Series: <https://expand.iu.edu/courses/teaching-online-series>
  - Module 7: Usability and Visual Design
  - Module 8: Accessibility
- Teaching for Student Success: An Evidence-Based Approach: <https://expand.iu.edu/courses/teaching-for-student-success-an-evidence-based-approach>
  - Module 1: Enhancing your course design practices (UDL)
  - Module 6: A focus on accessibility
- Fundamentals of Online Teaching (spring semester)
  - Module 1: Universal Design for Learning and Accessibility



# Resources: Canvas LMS

- General Accessibility Design Guidelines:  
<https://community.canvaslms.com/docs/DOC-2060>
- Creating Accessible Tables in the Rich Content Editor:  
<https://community.canvaslms.com/docs/DOC-7118>
- How to Use the Accessibility Checker in the Rich Content Editor:  
<https://community.canvaslms.com/docs/DOC-13345-4152808104>
- UDOIT: How to Run a Scan in Canvas: <https://kb.iu.edu/d/auae>
- Canvas Studio: Accessible syllabus  
<https://iu.instructure.com/courses/1716451>



# Resources: Other

- Accessibility@IU: <https://accessibility.iu.edu>  
See Creating Accessible Content > Electronic Documents:  
<https://accessibility.iu.edu/creating-content/documents/index.html>
  - Word
  - Excel
  - PowerPoint
  - PDFs
- ADA@IU: <http://ada.iu.edu/>
- CAST UDL Guidelines: <http://udlguidelines.cast.org/>



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