

## Adoption of Accessible Digital, Electronic and Web-Based Instructional Materials

Missouri State University strives for accessibility of all digital, electronic, and web-based instructional materials used in University courses. By law, all digital, electronic and web-based instructional materials used in Missouri State University courses must be accessible to individuals with a disability. Accessibility ensures that individuals with disabilities are able to independently acquire the same information, engage in the same interactions, and enjoy the same services within the same timeframe as individuals without disabilities, substantial modifications to the original content.

When assessing your instructional materials for accessibility, please consider the following:

- Ask your publisher if the instructional materials meet all the WCAG2.0-AA standards (<http://www.w3.org/TR/WCAG20/>). If the publisher meets all these standards, the product is compliant with accessibility standards.
- Ask your publisher for its direct contact for concerns regarding complaints of material not being accessible to individuals with disabilities.
- Ask your publisher for the support it provides to institutions who receive complaints that the publisher's materials are not accessible to individuals with disabilities.

The publisher should provide you with a Voluntary Product Accessibility Template (VPAT) to be forwarded to the Access Technology Center ([ATC@MissouriState.edu](mailto:ATC@MissouriState.edu)) for review.

Please inform your Department Heads of any concerns regarding the adoption of course material which may not be accessible to students with disabilities.

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