

How do I meet digital accessibility requirements? Be Very CHILL!

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Abstract

In 2024, a new Department of Justice (DOJ) ruling requires that all digital content, including online course content, meets required WCAG (Web Content Accessibility Guidelines) AA standards by April 2026.

While many faculty, staff, and other content creators may know something about accessibility, usually closed captions for videos, the requirement to create all digital content accessibly may seem overwhelming.

This poster aims to present a simple mnemonic device, the acronym of V-CHILL (very chill), to remember basic accessibility requirements. V-CHILL stands for Video, Color, Headings, Images, Links, and Lists and Tables.

The V-CHILL acronym will be presented in a Better Poster format. Each letter of the acronym will include a brief description of what it means. The expected impact is to be consistent with various introductory accessibility trainings and help faculty, staff, and other content creators remember and apply the basics of digital accessibility.

This poster is not a research presentation, but rather a presentation to advance educational skills. It meets the diversity, equity, and inclusion category because digital accessibility is necessary to make online content available to those with a disability yet benefits all users and learners in a variety of ways.

Learning Objectives

- 1. Identify basic digital accessibility requirements.
- 2. Discuss ways to apply digital accessibility in online platforms, documents, and media content.

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