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A Library for Everyone: Building a Model for Library Digital Accessibility

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digital accessibility





AGENDA

01 INTRODUCTION

02 OUR RESEARCH

03 TIPS & TOOLS

04 QUESTIONS





ABOUT US



OUR RESEARCH



Survey

2019

PURPOSE: Gauge use of digital accessibility in library acquisitions

- Academic libraries similar to Boise State
- Reached out to leadership in acquisitions
- 19 Questions (13 Likert and 6 Free Response)
- **Overall conclusion:** folks recognize accessibility is important but aren't sure how to apply principles



THEMES

Accessibility Training

The majority of institutions had not participated in accessibility training



Library Video/Streaming Media

Most institutions used accessibility when purchasing video or streaming media to some extent



Budget

70% of institutions indicated they had no budget to provide this support in house.



Responsibility for Accessible Materials

Most institutions felt the campus Access Center was responsible (not Library)



LIBRARY MODEL FOR ADOPTING ACCESSIBLE PRACTICES



RESEARCH QUESTIONS?



TIPS & TRICKS 1



LINKS

Screen Readers, Keyboard Only, Link Colors

- Avoid “Click Here”
- Use Unique Links Names
- Long Link Names
- URLs As Link Titles
 - **example:**
https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1duV_vVgGe86wM5vqStinsGeyLHvYuZgfg48l58qXLoE
- Color/Underlines



TIPS & TRICKS 2



DOCUMENTS

Screen Readers, UDL

- Use Built In Title/Headers
- Text Size Helps
- For Web, Use `<h>` Tags



TIPS & TRICKS 3



VIDEOS

Visual, Auditory, Language Barrier, ADD/ADHD, UDL

- Captions
 - [DCMP Caption Key](#)
- Audio Description
 - [DCMP Description Key](#)
 - youdescribe.org



TIPS & TRICKS 4



IMAGES

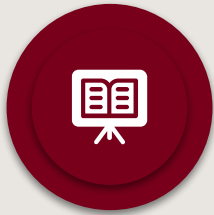
on the web

Users unable to discern what is in the image

- Screen readers read alt text
- Skip over images with no coding
- Easy to add the alt text tag
- Describe what is in the image
- Twitter has a good example



TIPS & TRICKS 5



PRESENTATIONS

make it a habit

Make Live Presentations Accessible

- Use external mic
- Speak loudly and clearly
- Explain the screen
- Facilitate the discussion and acknowledge digital comments
- Check in to ensure screen is still clear and audio still works



TIPS & TRICKS 6



GOOGLE SLIDES PRESENT

Live presentations

- When using Google Slides or Google Meet you can select automatic transcription
- Provides closed captioning as the individual speaks



TOOLS



[WebAIM Website](#)



[Funkify Simulator](#)



[Office - Check Accessibility](#)



[a11yresources.webflow.oi](#)

[Grackle Suite for Google](#)





QUESTIONS?

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