



Voluntary Product Accessibility Template - VPAT

Product: DEGREE WORKS TRANSFER EQUIVALENCY SELF-SERVICE

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Overview

The purpose of the **Voluntary Product Accessibility Template**, or **VPAT™**, is to assist Federal contracting officials and other buyers in making preliminary assessments regarding the availability of commercial “Electronic and Information Technology” products and services with features that support accessibility. It is assumed and recommended that authors will provide additional contact information to facilitate more detailed inquiries.

The first table of the Template provides a summary view of the Section 508 Standards. The subsequent tables provide more detailed views of each subsection. There are four columns in each table. Column one of the Summary Table describes the subsections of subparts B and C of the Standards. The second column describes the supporting features of the product or refers you to the corresponding detailed table, e.g., “equivalent facilitation.” The third column contains any additional remarks and explanations regarding the product. In the subsequent tables, the first column contains the lettered paragraphs of the subsections. The second column describes the supporting features of the product with regard to that paragraph. The third column contains the product support statement. The fourth column contains any additional remarks and explanations regarding the product

Section	Name	Applicable	Additional Information
1194.21	Software Applications and Operating Systems	Supports	
1194.22	Web-based internet information and applications	Supports	
1194.23	Telecommunications Products	Not Applicable	Not applicable
1194.24	Video and Multi-media Products	Not Applicable	This product doesn't use video.
1194.25	Self-Contained, Closed Products	Not Applicable	Not applicable
1194.26	Desktop and Portable Computers	Not Applicable	Not applicable
1194.31	Functional Performance Criteria	Supports	
1194.41	Information, documentation, and support.	Supports w/Exceptions	Degree Works does meet the support services criteria, but does not meet (a) product support documentation provided shall be made available in alternate formats and (b) end-users shall have

			access to a description of the accessibility and compatibility features in alternate formats.
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Section 1194.21 Software Applications and Operating Systems – Detail

<http://www.access-board.gov/sec508/guide/1194.21.htm>

1194.21	Criteria	Supporting Feature	Explanation
(a)	When software is designed to run on a system that has a keyboard, product functions shall be executable from a keyboard where the function itself or the result of performing a function can be discerned textually.	Supports	
(b)	Applications shall not disrupt or disable activated features of other products that are identified as accessibility features, where those features are developed and documented according to industry standards. Applications also shall not disrupt or disable activated features of any operating system that are identified as accessibility features where the application programming interface for those accessibility features has been documented by the manufacturer of the operating system and is available to the product developer.	Supports	
(c)	A well-defined on-screen indication of the current focus shall be provided that moves among interactive interface elements as the input focus changes. The focus shall be programmatically exposed so that Assistive Technology can track focus and focus changes.	Supports	
(d)	Sufficient information about a user interface element including the identity, operation and state of the element shall be available to Assistive Technology. When an image represents a program element, the information conveyed by the image must also be available in text.	Supports	
(e)	When bitmap images are used to identify controls, status indicators, or other programmatic elements, the meaning assigned to those images shall be consistent throughout an application's performance.	Supports	
(f)	Textual information shall be provided through operating system functions for displaying text. The minimum information that shall be made available is text content, text input caret location, and text attributes.	Supports	

(g)	Applications shall not override user selected contrast and color selections and other individual display attributes.	Supports	
(h)	When animation is displayed, the information shall be displayable in at least one non-animated presentation mode at the option of the user.	Not Applicable	This product does not use animation.
(i)	Color coding shall not be used as the only means of conveying information, indicating an action, prompting a response, or distinguishing a visual element.	Supports	
(j)	When a product permits a user to adjust color and contrast settings, a variety of color selections capable of producing a range of contrast levels shall be provided.	Supports	
(k)	Software shall not use flashing or blinking text, objects, or other elements having a flash or blink frequency greater than 2 Hz and lower than 55 Hz.	Supports	
(l)	When electronic forms are used, the form shall allow people using Assistive Technology to access the information, field elements, and functionality required for completion and submission of the form, including all directions and cues.	Supports	

Section 1194.22 Web-based Internet information and applications – Detail

<http://www.access-board.gov/sec508/guide/1194.22.htm>

1194.22	Criteria	Supporting Feature	Explanation
(a)	A text equivalent for every non-text element shall be provided (e.g., via "alt", "longdesc", or in element content).	Supports	
(b)	Equivalent alternatives for any multimedia presentation shall be synchronized with the presentation.	Not Applicable	This product does not use multimedia presentations.
(c)	Web pages shall be designed so that all information conveyed with color is also available without color, for example from context or markup.	Supports	
(d)	Documents shall be organized so they are readable without requiring an associated style sheet.	Supports	
(e)	Redundant text links shall be provided for each active region of a server-side image map.	Not Applicable	This product does not use image maps.
(f)	Client-side image maps shall be provided instead of server-side image maps except where the regions cannot be defined with an available geometric shape.	Not Applicable	This product does not use image maps.
(g)	Row and column headers shall be identified for data tables.	Not Applicable	This product does not use HTML table tags.
(h)	Markup shall be used to associate data cells and header cells for data tables that have two or more logical levels of row or column headers.	Not Applicable	This product does not use HTML table tags.
(i)	Frames shall be titled with text that facilitates frame identification and navigation	Supports	
(j)	Pages shall be designed to avoid causing the screen to flicker with a frequency greater than 2 Hz and lower than 55 Hz.	Not Applicable	This product has no flickering content.
(k)	A text-only page, with equivalent information or functionality, shall be provided to make a web site comply with the provisions of this part, when compliance cannot be accomplished in any other way. The content of the text-only page shall be updated whenever the primary page changes.	Not Applicable	This product is compliant with provisions in this part without need for text-only pages.
(l)	When pages utilize scripting languages to display content, or to create interface elements, the information provided by the script shall be	Supports	

	identified with functional text that can be read by Assistive Technology.		
(m)	When a web page requires that an applet, plug-in or other application be present on the client system to interpret page content, the page must provide a link to a plug-in or applet that complies with §1194.21(a) through (l).	Not Applicable	This product does not use plug-ins.
(n)	When electronic forms are designed to be completed on-line, the form shall allow people using Assistive Technology to access the information, field elements, and functionality required for completion and submission of the form, including all directions and cues.	Supports	
(o)	A method shall be provided that permits users to skip repetitive navigation links.	Not Applicable	This product has such a small number of navigation links that adding a "skip navigation" link would be more of an impediment to the experience than including one.
(p)	When a timed response is required, the user shall be alerted and given sufficient time to indicate more time is required.	Not Applicable	This product has no timed response requirements.

Section 1194.24 Video and Multi-media Products– Detail

<http://www.access-board.gov/sec508/guide/1194.24.htm>

1194.24	Criteria	Supporting Feature	Explanation
(a)	All analog television displays 13 inches and larger, and computer equipment that includes analog television receiver or display circuitry, shall be equipped with caption decoder circuitry which appropriately receives, decodes, and displays closed captions from broadcast, cable, videotape, and DVD signals. As soon as practicable, but not later than July 1, 2002, widescreen digital television (DTV) displays measuring at least 7.8 inches vertically, DTV sets with conventional displays measuring at least 13 inches vertically, and stand-alone DTV tuners, whether or not they are marketed with display screens, and computer equipment that includes DTV receiver or display circuitry, shall be equipped with caption decoder circuitry which appropriately receives, decodes, and displays closed captions from broadcast, cable, videotape, and DVD signals.	Not Applicable	
(b)	Television tuners, including tuner cards for use in computers, shall be equipped with secondary audio program playback circuitry.	Not Applicable	
(c)	All training and informational video and multimedia productions which support the agency's mission, regardless of format, that contain speech or other audio information necessary for the comprehension of the content, shall be open or closed captioned.	Not Applicable	
(d)	All training and informational video and multimedia productions which support the agency's mission, regardless of format, that contain visual information necessary for the comprehension of the content, shall be audio described.	Not Applicable	
(e)	Display or presentation of alternate text presentation or audio descriptions shall be user-selectable unless permanent.	Not Applicable	

Section 1194.31 Functional Performance Criteria - Detail

<http://www.access-board.gov/sec508/guide/1194.31.htm>

1194.31	Criteria	Supporting Feature	Explanation
(a)	At least one mode of operation and information retrieval that does not require user vision shall be provided, or support for Assistive Technology used by people who are blind or visually impaired shall be provided.	Supports	
(b)	At least one mode of operation and information retrieval that does not require visual acuity greater than 20/70 shall be provided in audio and enlarged print output working together or independently, or support for Assistive Technology used by people who are visually impaired shall be provided.	Supports	
(c)	At least one mode of operation and information retrieval that does not require user hearing shall be provided, or support for Assistive Technology used by people who are deaf or hard of hearing shall be provided	Not Applicable	This product does not require hearing.
(d)	Where audio information is important for the use of a product, at least one mode of operation and information retrieval shall be provided in an enhanced auditory fashion, or support for assistive hearing devices shall be provided.	Not Applicable	This product does not use audio.
(e)	At least one mode of operation and information retrieval that does not require user speech shall be provided, or support for Assistive Technology used by people with disabilities shall be provided.	Not Applicable	This product does not require speech.
(f)	At least one mode of operation and information retrieval that does not require fine motor control or simultaneous actions and that is operable with limited reach and strength shall be provided.	Not Applicable	This product does not require fine motor control or simultaneous actions.

Section 1194.41 Functional Performance Criteria - Detail

<http://www.access-board.gov/sec508/guide/1194.41.htm>

1194.21	Criteria	Supporting Feature	Explanation
(a)	Product support documentation provided to end-users shall be made available in alternate formats upon request, at no additional charge	Supports	End user documentation is embedded as HTML-based pages which can be exported or printed to various formats using the functionality provided by web browsers.
(b)	End-users shall have access to a description of the accessibility and compatibility features of products in alternate formats or alternate methods upon request, at no additional charge.	Not Applicable	This product has no such documentation.
(c)	Support services for products shall accommodate the communication needs of end-users with disabilities.	Supports	Support is available through a toll free number and through the Ellucian web site.