

Web and e-Learning Accessibility Plan

Gaston College ADA Committee

August 2016



Gaston College
Opportunities For Life

ADA Committee Approach

- Created a cross-functional committee
- Conducted institutional assessment
- Developed goals and objectives
- Developed accessibility guidelines
- Developed an implementation plan which includes:
 - Website
 - e-Learning
 - Third Party Vendors
 - Policy and Procedures
 - Identifying needed resources

Goals & Objectives

➤ Goals

- Gaston College will be ADA compliant with website and e-Learning accessibility laws (State & Federal)
- Gaston College will provide equal access to information and functionalities of the website and eLearning platforms

➤ Objectives

- Ensure websites and e-Learning content is compliant with all WCAG 2.0 Level AA standards (Web Content Accessibility Guidelines)
- Apply the principles of universal (inclusive) design across all platforms
- Develop training materials and best practices for meeting accessibility standards
- Provide extensive training to faculty, staff, content editors/owners

Five Year Plan - Web and e-Learning

Gaston College five year web and e-Learning plan will be implemented in a 3-Phase approach:

- Phase 1 - Preparation & Transition
- Phase 2 - Transition & Implementation
- Phase 3 - Review & Evaluation

Website Accessibility Implementation Process

Phase I

Preparation

Jan 2016 - Dec 2016

Focus:

Prioritize and correct accessibility errors. College wide awareness and preliminary training for Content Editors (CE). Confirm all CE

Phase II

Transition & Implementation

Jan 2017 - Dec 2017

Focus:

Train to create accessible documentation via online, F2F, and interactive demos.

Phase III

Review & Evaluation

Jan 2018 - Dec 2018

Focus:

Review and Evaluation by partnering with end users (students, faculty, community). Revise content integration process

3-PHASE APPROACH

e-Learning Accessibility Implementation Process

Year 1
Awareness
Jan 2016 - Dec 2016

Focus:

College wide awareness, training, and dept/division plans

Year 2
Documents
Jan 2017 - Dec 2017

Focus:

Accessible Documents & online course content

Year 3
Media & 3rd Party Tools
Jan 2018 - Dec 2018

Focus:

Accessible Multimedia
And 3rd Party tools

Year 4
Presentations
Jan 2019 - Dec 2019

Focus:

Accessible Presentations

Year 5
Review & Evaluation
Jan 2020 - Dec 2020

Focus:

Review and Evaluation

Next Steps

- More information at the Departmental/Unit level
- Develop Materials: Handbook & Checklist
- Conduct training sessions for creating documents, multimedia, and presentations
- Develop Review & Evaluation Process