

Accessible Instruction for College Courses: Universal Design Techniques for Engaging Diverse Learners in Postsecondary Education



Connecting all learners by imparting knowledge using a variety of teaching strategies and evaluation measures ~

Many factors affect how students learn. Relevant variables may include disability, learning style, cultural and racial heritage, age, gender and other factors not specifically identified here. Universal Design for Instruction is an inclusive model that uses a variety of teaching methods to reach a diverse group of learners, including students with disabilities.

Disabilities, Opportunities, Internetworking, and Technology:
The Faculty Room – University of Washington

<http://www.washington.edu/doi/Faculty/Strategies/Universal/>

The Ohio State University Partnership Grant, Fast Facts for Faculty

<http://telr.osu.edu/dpg/fastfact/undesign.html>

Applying Universal Instructional Design – University of Minnesota

<http://ds.umn.edu/faculty/applyingUID.html>

Working Together: A Message for Faculty, El Paso Community College

<http://www.epcc.edu/csd/WorkingTogetherAMessageforFaculty/tabid/2408/Default.aspx?PageContentID=203>

Universal Design Education Online

<http://www.udeducation.org/index.asp>

Note the article on Universal Design in Education: Teaching Non-traditional Students

General Guidelines for Designing Accessible Classrooms

<http://drc.arizona.edu/teach/accessible-classes.html>

Facultyware – Tools for the Universal Design of Instruction

<http://www.facultyware.uconn.edu>

Universal Design: Promoting Access to Instruction For All Students

University of California, Berkeley

http://dsptrio.berkeley.edu/universal_design.html

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"It is a fine thing to have ability, but the ability to discover ability in others is the true test. ~ Elbert Hubbard

"While they were saying among themselves it cannot be done, it was done." ~ Helen Keller