

## CERTIFICATE



# INFORMATION ACCESSIBILITY DESIGN & POLICY CERTIFICATE

ONLINE

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## WEBSITE:

<http://iadp.ahs.illinois.edu>

## REQUIRED COURSES:

- AHS 494 - Understanding Disability and Assistive Technology 2 cr.
- AHS 494 - Creating and Procuring Accessible Electronic Materials 2 cr.
- AHS 494 - Designing Accessible Web Resources 2 cr.

Through the Information Accessibility Design and Policy (IADP) certificate program, website developers, information specialists, and disability service providers learn the principles of accessible information architecture and the information technology (IT) of universal design used in education, healthcare, and employment settings. Students will also learn the federal and state legal mandates governing information accessibility and the relationship of those mandates to the civil rights of people with disabilities, as well as technology accessibility standards, design techniques that enable adherence to those standards, and tools that support validation and evidence of compliance to those standards. The certificate program can be completed in one academic year.

## TARGET AUDIENCE:

Website developers, programmers, UX designers, Instructional Designers, IT specialists, compliance officers, educators, and disability service providers

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

Applicants can hold an undergraduate degree or higher, or they can currently be enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate degree program from an accredited university. No tuition waivers are offered. Complete the "Intent to Register" form and send transcripts to Ms. Erika Albin ([ealbin@illinois.edu](mailto:ealbin@illinois.edu)) for review and admission decision by the Director and faculty.

## COST:

\$482 per credit hour.

## REGISTRATION PROCEDURE:

Interest and Pre-registration Form at <http://iadp.ahs.illinois.edu/register>.

## ACADEMIC CALENDAR:

Course 1: October 16 – December 10, 2023  
Course 2: January 16 – March 10, 2023  
Course 3: March 11 – May 5, 2023

## DELIVERY MODE:

Fully online Required equipment:

- Internet connection (broadband is highly recommended)
- "Fast" (any PC 4 years old or newer) computer, speakers, and sound card
- Windows or Mac operating system
- Web browser (IE6+, Mozilla, Firefox)

## TEXTBOOK PURCHASE:

There are no required textbooks for this course. Any assigned readings will be made available through direct internet links.

## TRANSFER HOURS POLICY:

All three courses must be completed to receive the certificate. No transfer credits are accepted.

## TOTAL HOURS NEEDED:

6 hours (three courses)

## FINANCIAL AID:

Please visit the Office of Student Financial Aid website, call (217) 333-0100 or email: [finaid@illinois.edu](mailto:finaid@illinois.edu).

## SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Through the professional certificate program in Information Accessibility Design & Policy (IADP), website developers, programmers, designers, information technology specialists, compliance officers, educators, and disability service providers will learn about the following:

- Principles of accessible information architecture and universal design information technologies used in educational, healthcare, corporate, and employment settings
- Federal and state legal mandates governing information technology accessibility and their relationship to the civil rights of people with disabilities
- Information technology accessibility standards, design practices that enable adherence to those standards, and tools that support validation and evidence of compliance to those standards