Digital Accessibility Compliance Resources

Thesis & Dissertation Services (TAD), the Digital Accessibility Network (DAN), University Libraries, the Office of Information Technology, and the Academic Achievement Center's Writing Commons provide the following resources to assist graduate students working toward digital accessibility in their theses and dissertations.

Start here if you are not already familiar with creating digitally accessible documents: Introduction to Digital Accessibility

Other helpful resources for Word and Adobe Portable Document Format (PDF):

Training 2: Improving Document Accessibility

Guidelines for Accessible Documents (OIT)

Creating Accessible Microsoft Word Documents

Create and Verify Accessibility in Acrobat Pro

Tips for making figures, images, and tables accessible and creating alt-text from Penn State University and Microsoft

LaTeX users:

LaTeX (or any TeX program) does not support all document structures necessary for accessibility or directly export tags to PDF. It is recommended that you consult user support for your TeX program for solutions to create an accessible PDF final document. Overleaf is frequently recommended for students working on theses or dissertation, and it does have a well-developed section on this topic in the documentation—but consult with your program. You may find some of the following information resources helpful as well:

<u>LaTeX and Accessibility Issues</u> <u>Comprehensive T_EX Archive Network: Accessibility</u> <u>Accessible PDF's with LaTeX</u>