

Accessible Media @ NECC



First we made the physical campus accessible.



Next we make the digital campus accessible.

Digital Accessibility is a long-term goal requiring interdepartmental collaboration throughout the college. Our mission is to transform all NECC media, websites, software purchases, online and web-enhanced courses, and course materials so that they are accessible. In the newly-created position of Accessible Media Specialist, **Lance Hidy** will be helping to coordinate this project on the Lawrence and Haverhill campuses.

See the Accessible Media website for details, support, and resources available to the NECC Community:

<http://www.necc.mass.edu/about/accessible-media-at-necc/>

Vision Statement

NECC seeks to embody the fundamental academic principles of equity and accessibility by striving to provide to the broadest possible audience, regardless of impairment or disability, equal access to the college's programs, services, events, and activities. To this aim, we seek to promote an inclusive academic environment by incorporating design concepts that remove or reduce barriers to both current and emerging technologies. This ongoing institutional effort deepens our appreciation for diversity and cultural inclusion.

Visit Our Team Meetings

Curious? Want to help? Feel free to visit one of our monthly Accessible Media Meetings in SC203 (President's Dining Room) on the following Thursdays: Sept. 22, Oct. 20, Nov. 17, and Dec. 15 from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Our current committee:

Melba Acevedo	Pam LaBella
Kevin Fleese	Minh Le
Isabelle Gagne	Susan Leonardi
Nathan Gilbert	Susan Martin
Meredith Gunning	Deborah McKinney
Cherie Hagen	Dena Riccio-Enis
Lance Hidy	Michelle Simon
Richard Ingham	

Future Workshops

- Accessibility for Online Courses and Materials
- Universal Design and Quality Matters
- Accessibility for the Greater Good and Retention

Additional Resources

Marketing Communications provides accessible media training for anyone who updates content on the website or provides documentation for uploading to the website. This includes best practices and writing for the web in our WordPress CMS platform as well as creating accessible Word documents and PDFs. Trainings are held as needed throughout the year.

The Center for Instructional Technology and Online Learning offers coaching and training on accessibility in its iTeach program and in several standalone workshops. Please reach out to distance@necc.mass.edu for more information.

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