

USAonline Accessibility Audit Methodology

Between the fourth and sixth weeks of each semester, USAonline will verify the online course accessibility compliance using the following methodology:

1. A stratified random 5% sampling of course sites will be conducted for all USAonline course sites for each of the nine colleges. This will include the following instructional methods:

Web Blended (WB)

Web Only (WO)

2. Each selected course will be checked for accessibility compliance by USAonline staff for the following three instructional media:

PDFs - to ensure they are saved in an accessible format

Videos - to ensure they are properly captioned

Images - to ensure each is coded with alternative text

3. These results will be compiled in an "Accessibility Audit Report" detailing the compliance of each selected USAonline course site along with total fractional and percentage compliance for each college for each category (e.g., 158/163 PDFs, 96.9%; 78/92 Internal Videos, 84.8%; External Videos, 43/54, 79.6%; 111/116 Images, 95.7%). In addition, summary totals for the entire University will be provided. A graphic summarizing and comparing the accessibility compliance percentage for each category for each of the nine colleges will also be included at the conclusion of the audit report.
4. The "Accessibility Audit Report" will be forwarded in a timely manner to appropriate administrators for review.