

## The Accessibility Imperative: Education for All

Let Adobe help your institution meet requirements and create an inclusive campus

### Meeting accessibility requirements

The Department of Justice has mandated that web content and mobile apps from state and local government agencies, including public universities, conform to WCAG 2.1 AA standards by as early as April 2026, pursuant to Title II of the ADA. This accessibility mandate applies to web content—including documents (PDFs and forms), text, images, sound, videos—and mobile software applications.

In today's digital age, accessible content is not just a legal requirement but a moral imperative. Adobe is here to help your institution meet these requirements and create inclusive, accessible content for everyone.

### Adobe's differentiated accessibility offerings for higher education

Adobe is uniquely positioned to empower higher education institutions to meet accessibility standards given its position as an industry leader in customer experience and legacy of advising customers on accessibility challenges. Adobe Acrobat solutions provide the following accessibility tools:

- **Prepare for accessibility:** Predefined action automates many tasks, checks accessibility, and provides instructions for items that require manual fixes.
- **Check for accessibility:** Verifies whether the document conforms to accessibility standards, such as PDF/UA and WCAG 2.0.
- **Open accessibility report:** Report summarizes findings of the accessibility check and contains links to tools and documentation that assist in fixing problems.
- **Reading options:** Includes settings for the available reading options.
- **Fix reading order:** Reading Order tool examines structure, reading order, and contents of a PDF.
- **Save as accessible text:** Allows you to read the saved text file in a word-processing application and emulate the end-user experience of readers who use a braille printer to read the document.



#### PDF documents

Remediate documents to meet WCAG 2.1 AA standards with Acrobat Services API.



#### Forms

Ensure accessibility in digital forms with Acrobat Sign.

### Remediating PDFs with Acrobat PDF Services API

*Steps to address:*

- **Assessment:** Identify and catalog documents that need remediation or archiving.
- **Deployment:** Deploy PDF Services API into the institution's existing Acrobat footprint.
- **Remediation:** Guide remediation of documents at scale and build workflows to accelerate process.
- **Ongoing support:** Provide ongoing guidance for new documents created each year.

## Customers success stories



### Ohio State University

Ohio State University successfully implemented Adobe Acrobat Studio to meet the DOJ's accessibility mandate for PDF compliance. By leveraging Adobe's tools, the university streamlined its document remediation process and ensured accessibility compliance across its campus.

## Why choose Adobe Acrobat Studio for Education

- **Generate fast summaries of complex information:** One-click summaries provide a starting point for research and understanding.
- **Quick access to insights:** Ask questions and get answers with citations linked to sources within your documents.
- **Deliver ideas and information clearly:** Create visually engaging reports, presentations, infographics, and more.
- **Work with multiple files and formats:** Chat with up to ten documents of 600 pages at once.
- **Ensure security, accessibility, and compliance:** Safeguard against data breaches and improve compliance with auto-tagging for accessibility.
- **Integrate with leading productivity apps:** Enhance efficiency and collaboration across document workflows.

## Next steps

Contact your Adobe authorized education reseller to learn more about how Adobe solutions, including Acrobat Studio, and can help your institution meet accessibility requirements and create inclusive content for all.

For more information, review the Adobe HelpX [Create and Verify PDF Accessibility](#) article.