



Reference: *Government Code Sections 7405, 11135, and 11546.7;*
36 Code of Federal Regulations Sections 1194.1 and 1194.2;
Title 5 Sections 59300 et seq.
CCCCO Information and Communication Technology and Instructional
Materials Accessibility Standard

Information and communication technologies (ICT) are the primary means by which the West Hills Community College District provides information to students, faculty, staff, and other constituents. The need to ensure accessibility to all members of the campus community is critical as more administrative services and learning environments are based on ICT. It is also a part of the District's ongoing commitment to establishing a barrier-free learning community, or universal access, to all individuals.

The California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office is committed to ensuring equal access to instructional materials and ICT for all, and particularly for individuals with disabilities, in a timely manner. In accordance with California Government Code Section 7405, 11135, and 11546.7, and best practices, the CCCCCO and the West Hills Community College District will comply with the accessibility requirements of Section 508 of the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

Individuals with disabilities are guaranteed access to educational institutions and systems of communication under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Amendments to Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act and Telecommunications Act Accessibility Guidelines under Section 255 of the Communications Act of 1934 clarify accessibility requirements for ICT developed, procured, maintained, or used by federal agencies.

The revised technical requirements include criteria to ensure that computer hardware, software, websites, telecommunications products, electronic documents, and support documentation and services are accessible to people with disabilities. When an accessible product is not readily available, an equally effective accommodation plan shall be devised.

Complaints regarding accessibility of ICT should be submitted to the college DSPPS (Disabled Students Program and Services) office.

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