

Accessibility Statement Template

Accessibility Statement

VCU Publishing is committed to making its publications accessible in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. The HTML and screen reader–friendly PDF versions of this book utilize header structures and include alternative text which allow for machine-readability.

VCU Publishing is actively committed to increasing the accessibility and usability of the works we produce and/or host. We welcome feedback about accessibility issues our users encounter so that we can work to mitigate them. Please email us with your questions and comments at liboacc@vcu.edu.

Accessibility features of the web version of this resource

The web version of this resource has been designed with accessibility in mind by incorporating the following features:

Organization of content

- Section headings and subheadings are formatted with paragraph styles to ensure screen reader compatibility.
- Sections appear in sequential order and are reflected in the corresponding Table of Contents
- List structures (numbered and unnumbered) are used

Font size and formatting

- Font size is 12 point or higher for body text
- Font size is 9 point or higher for footnotes, endnotes, and table captions
- Font size can be enlarged by 200 per cent in webbook or ebook formats without needing to scroll side to side.
- Font choices are informed by accessibility, with consideration given to line weight and letter spacing to ensure readability.
- Font color and background color provide adequate contrast for readability.
- No known repeated characters or excessive spaces

Visual and multimedia elements

- All non-decorative images contain alternative text

- Charts, graphs, and math equations contain alternative text or include a complete written description
- Visuals do not rely on color alone to convey meaning
- Video and audio files provide captions and/or transcripts, as well as a brief description of the item's content and purpose
- Tables include row and column headers, adequate cell padding, and contain no merged or split cells.

Hyperlinks

- Hyperlink text describes the destination of the link and opens in the same window.
- If a link will open or download a file (like a PDF or Excel file), a textual reference is included in the link information (e.g., [PDF]).
- Link text is underlined, and the full web addresses for all links are available in the back matter of the book for those using a print copy.

Alternative modes of access

In addition to the web version, other formats are available for download from the book homepage. Look for the “Download this book” drop-down menu to select the file type you want. Available file formats include:

- (Include available formats here)

Known accessibility barriers

While we strive to ensure that this resource is as accessible and usable as possible, we might not always get it right. Below are the list of issues we have identified:

- [EXAMPLE] This book links out to multimedia resources throughout, which were not created by VCU and which may not have been created with accessibility in mind. Transcripts and closed captions are forthcoming

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