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# Title/Topic

Introduction to Universal Design

#### **Abstract**

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- We will NOT record this call. Please visit <u>CaRCC's YouTube channel</u> for past videos.
- We expect all persons on the call to adhere to CaRCC's Code of Conduct.

# Agenda

- 12:55 1:05 pm ET
  - Welcome & Announcements
- 1:05 1:55 pm ET
  - Presentation and Q&A
- 1:55 2:00 pm ET
  - Session close

## **Announcements**

- Welcome to the third session in our Accessibility Month, hosted by the systems-facing track!
  - o <u>Track descriptions</u>
- CaRCC is your community for research computing and data professionals. Please see <u>this</u> brief overview; more information on activities on our Groups web pages.
- If you have questions about CaRCC or are interested in becoming more involved, please contact:
  - o sf-coordinators@carcc.org for data-facing-related activities, or
  - o getstarted@carcc.org or getinvolved@carcc.org for other CaRCC work
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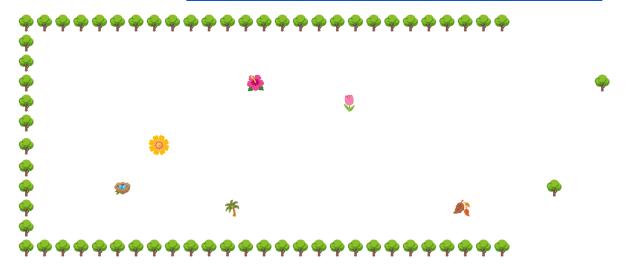
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# Review of this month's sessions

| Date                    | Track               | Details  |
|-------------------------|---------------------|--|
| May 2nd @ 1:00 pm EDT   | Data-Facing         | Community discussion   |
| May 3rd @ 12:00 pm EDT  | Strategy and Policy | No meeting   |
| May 11th @ 1:00 pm EDT  | Researcher-Facing   | JooYoung Seo - Current research on accessible computing - in brief |
| May 17th @ 12:00 pm EDT | Emerging Centers    | Lena Bohman - Web Accessibility                                    |
| May 18th @ 1:00 pm EDT  | Systems-Facing      | Suzanne Ehrlich – UNITE Lab – Universal Design                     |

# Notes from the call

#### Link to presentation:

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## Applying Universal Design for Learning for Accessibility1

## Introduction to Universal Design (UDL)

- This is a new group for Suzanne
- We're learning a lot in this area particularly now.
- We'll learn about universal design to help develop a diverse workforce
- Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (International best practices in digital accessibility)
  - How do we create spaces for accessible digital design, e.g., Tags and tables, alt tags
- UDL in all spaces supports
  - Diverse needs
  - Different language abilities
  - Different skill sets and expertise
  - Neurodiversity
- Todd Rose TED Talk "The end of the Average" https://youtu.be/4eBmyttcfU4
- UDL "UDL is multiple ways to gain a new skill"
- Accessibility and UDL are next to each other, but they really overlap.
- Embracing and developing a UDL mindset will give learners the opportunity to achieve greater outcomes, increasing the return on your investment in training and development.
- Put the onus on the system, NOT the individual to make the change.
- Comment, "If you claim you don't know something, I'll take you at your word and not assume you're just self-deprecating."
- Engagement:
  - Multiple modalities
  - Align with Motivation
  - Choice
- Representation:
  - Various formats
  - Accessible Documents
- Action and Expression
  - Flex in demonstration
  - Doing vs. watching
  - Effective goal-setting
- Neurodiversity link provided in presentation covered quickly
  - Quote: "Once you meet one person with autism, you've met one person with autism."
- NeuroInclusive strategies in Training Design.
- Topics covered quickly:
  - Cognitive Load
  - Pacing
  - Visual impairment Visual description

Simple/Concise – ADHD, for example.

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#### Questions

#### Links

- Dyslexia friendly font: <a href="https://www.dyslexiefont.com/">https://opendyslexic.org/</a>
- End of the Rainbow?

  <a href="https://www.scientificamerican.com/article/end-of-the-rainbow-new-map-scale-is-more-readable-by-people-who-are-color-blind/">https://www.scientificamerican.com/article/end-of-the-rainbow-new-map-scale-is-more-readable-by-people-who-are-color-blind/</a>
- Coolers.co
- Mobile experience with low bandwidth: https://it.wisc.edu/learn/manage-slower-internet-low-bandwidth/

#### Chat Comments

 Suzanne – I love Zoom for accessibility instant captioning. Labels, priority on text labeling

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