SDSU ATI Plan

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Background

• The American with Disabilities act of 1990 (ADA) and Rehab Act of 1973 (504) require that qualified individuals be provided equal access to programs, services, and activities.

• CA Gov. Code 11135 applies Section 508 of the 1973 Rehab Act, as amended in 1998, to State entities and to the CSU was enacted to eliminate barriers in information technology, to make available new opportunities for people with disabilities and to encourage development of technologies that will help achieve these goals.

• The CSU policy statement on accessibility is articulated in Executive Order 926. Most recent implementation of this policy is guided by the Accessible Technology Initiative (ATI) established in 2006 is now Coded Memo AA-2013-03.
CSU Vision

• All CSU programs, services, and activities should be accessible to all students, staff, faculty, and the general public. This encompasses all technology products used to deliver academic programs and services, student services, information technology services, and auxiliary programs and services.
ATI Principles for implementation

• Technology accessibility is an institution-wide responsibility.

• Technology access must provide comparable functionality, affordability, and timeliness.

• The implementation of Universal Design Principles
Recent Legal Settlements

• August 2012 – University of Montana filed by the Office of Civil Rights

• May 2013 – UC Berkeley filed by Disability Rights Advocates
Web Accessibility Goals

• Web Accessibility Evaluation Process
• Ongoing Monitoring Process
• Exemptions and Alternatives Process
• Training Process
• Communication Process
SDSU ATI Web Plan in 2013

• June 2013 – All campus websites were scanned using Section 508 standard.
• July 2013 – Scan results were distributed to Campus V.P.s (and also posted on SDSU ATI website: access.sdsu.edu).
• September 2013 – SDSU changed the scanning standard from Section 508 to CSU ATI Requirements.
• November 2013 through May 2014 – each area is responsible to scan and fix their website errors prior to the annual scan in June 2014.
Why changing Scan to CSU ATI Requirements?

• As directed by the Chancellor’s Office, SDSU is changing the scanning standard from Section 508 to CSU ATI Requirements.

• These requirements map Web Content Accessibility Guidelines 2.0 techniques to Section 508 standards in order to provide a more accurate reporting of accessibility errors.

• Other CSU schools already changed to the CSU scanning standard. SDSU is the last school to change.

• This provides additional checkpoints in order to make our websites more accessible.
Section 508 vs. CSU ATI Requirements

• Using CSU ATI Requirements checkpoints will detect more errors, therefore, more websites with higher failure rates.

• Our focus should not be on the higher scan failure rate, but rather on having more accessible websites.

• The additional errors detected are mostly related to Link validation errors, which includes broken and inaccessible links.

• The Chancellor’s Office recommended creating a roadmap or remediation plan for all non-compliance sites.
SDSU ATI Web Remediation Plan

- SDSU will continue to do the annual scan of all campus websites in June each year (using CSU ATI Requirements).

- In the meantime, each area is encouraged to do their own scan to determine their websites compliance.

- SDSU ATI Remediation Plan must be completed for all websites with less than 100% compliant.

- SDSU ATI Remediation Plan template provides a guide, but can be modified and expanded to fit each area needs.

- The purpose is to document progress, issues and challenges, alternative accommodation, resolution and timeline.
Suggestions to reduce risks

- Priority should be given to heavily visited websites.
- Use Google Analytic or similar tool to analyze frequently visited sites.
- Take down the pages that are no longer needed or hardly used.
SDSU ATI Web Plan in 2014

• In June 2014, we will run a scan for all SDSU websites using the CSU ATI Requirements (Level 1 Crawl).

• In July 2014, Scan results will be posted to access.sdsu.edu and SDSU Web Developers notified.

• In July 2014, SDSU Executive Sponsor will distribute scan results to Vice Presidents.
SDSU ATI Web Plan in 2014 Cont.

• For websites less than 100% compliant, the site owner must complete an SDSU ATI Remediation Plan.

• An SDSU ATI Remediation Plan template is provided as a guide.

• Each area can modify and expand to fit their needs.

• The purpose is to document progress, challenges, alternative accommodation, resolution plan and timeline for fixing errors.
SDSU ATI Web Plan in 2014 Cont.

- Completed Remediation Plan must be signed by a Department Head or Dean, and counter-signed by a Vice President.
- November 1, 2014 – Deadline for VP’s to submit a signed Exemption Approval Form to SDSU ATI Executive Sponsor (indicating that an ATI Web Remediation Plan is in place for his/her area).
- The same procedures will repeat for the following year.
Web Developer Responsibilities

• Attend an on-site Compliance Sheriff Training on November 13, 2013.

• Request a Compliance Sheriff account from Chris Friedl (if no account was created before).

• SDSU will continue to do an annual scan of all campus websites in June of each year (next one in June 2014).

• Conduct a scan of their websites (using CSU ATI Requirements) to determine compliance.

• For websites less than 100% compliant, an SDSU Web Remediation Plan must be completed for their Department Head and Vice President’s approvals.
Compliance Sheriff Training

• November 13, 10am to 3pm (in LL-260) – RSVP to Riny Ledgerwood <rledgerw@mail.sdsu.edu>

• SDSU (in collaboration with the CSU Chancellor’s Office, CSU Northridge and HiSoftware) will provide training to SDSU web developers to use this tool.
  - How to use the application, view scan results, research errors discovered and remediate them.
  - How to set up scans and initiate them.
  - Discussion how to fix errors.
SDSU ATI Support

• SDSU ATI Team will meet with each area to review their scan results/errors and assist with their remediation plan.

• For general questions regarding ATI, contact Riny Ledgerwood at rledgerw@mail.sdsu.edu or Ext. 4-4952.

• For Compliance Sheriff questions, contact either Chris Friedl at cfriedl@mail.sdsu.edu (4-4725) or Helen Habermann at haberman@mail.sdsu.edu (4-3605).
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