

National Professional Development Center on Inclusion

Helping states achieve an integrated professional development system that supports high quality inclusion

Universal Design (UD) / Universal Design for Learning (UDL)

UD and UDL support access to early care and education environments through the removal of physical and structural barriers (UD) and the provision of multiple and varied formats for instruction and learning (UDL).

<p>Why Do It? <i>The evidence base</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Division for Early Childhood. (2007). <i>Promoting positive outcomes for children with disabilities: Recommendations for curriculum, assessment, and program evaluation</i>. Tables 1 and 2. Missoula, MT: Author. http://bit.ly/PtgChJ • National Center on Universal Design for Learning. Universal Design for Learning Research Evidence (organized by practice) http://www.udlcenter.org/research/researchevidence/ • UDL Guidelines http://www.udlcenter.org/aboutudl/udlguidelines
<p>Read About It <i>Books, chapters, and articles</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conn-Powers, M., Cross, A. F., Traub, E. K., & Hutter-Pishgahi, L. (2006, September). The universal design of early education: Moving forward for all children. <i>Beyond the Journal: Young Children on the Web</i>. http://journal.naeyc.org/btj/200609/ConnPowersBTJ.pdf • Stockall, N., Dennis, L., & Miller, M. (2012). Right from the start: Universal design for preschool. <i>Teaching Exceptional Children</i>, 45(1), 10-17.
<p>See For Yourself <i>Videos and demonstrations</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Building Inclusive Childcare Universal Design for Learning [Video] http://www.northampton.edu/Early-Childhood-Education/Partnerships/Building-Inclusive-Child-Care.htm • National Center to Improve Practice (NCIP): Early Childhood Guided Tour http://www2.edc.org/NCIP/tour/toc.htm • Building Inclusive Childcare Universal Design for Learning [Video] http://www.northampton.edu/Early-Childhood-Education/Partnerships/Building-Inclusive-Child-Care.htm • National Center to Improve Practice (NCIP): Early Childhood Guided Tour http://www2.edc.org/NCIP/tour/toc.htm • UDL At-a-Glance http://www.youtube.com/user/UDLCAST#p/f/0/pGLTJw0GSxk • UDL Guidelines in Practice: Grade 1 Mathematics http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KuTJJQWnMaQ • UDL Principles and Practice http://www.youtube.com/user/UDLCAST#p/f/0/pGLTJw0GSxk • Videos from the National Center on Universal Design for Learning http://www.udlcenter.org/resource_library/videos/udlcenter
<p>Find it Online <i>Websites with additional resources</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Association on Higher Education and Disability: Universal Design Resources http://www.ahead.org/resources/universal-design/resources • Center for Applied Special Technology (CAST): Transforming education through universal design for learning http://www.cast.org/ • IRIS Center. (n.d.). <i>Universal design for learning: Creating a learning environment that challenges and engages all students</i>. http://iris.peabody.vanderbilt.edu/udl/cresource.htm • National Center on Universal Design for Learning http://www.udlcenter.org/ • Supporting Early Literacy Through Universal Design & Assistive Technology http://depts.washington.edu/hscenter/family-literacy-2 • Tool Kit on Universal Design for Learning http://www.osepideasthatwork.org/UDL/index.asp • Universal Design Education Online http://www.udeducation.org/