

Universal Design for Learning Guidelines



Provide Multiple Means of Engagement

Purposeful, motivated learners

Provide options for self-regulation

- + Promote expectations and beliefs that optimize motivation
- + Facilitate personal coping skills and strategies
- + Develop self-assessment and reflection

Provide options for sustaining effort and persistence

- + Heighten salience of goals and objectives
- + Vary demands and resources to optimize challenge
- + Foster collaboration and community
- + Increase mastery-oriented feedback

Provide options for recruiting interest

- + Optimize individual choice and autonomy
- + Optimize relevance, value, and authenticity
- + Minimize threats and distractions



Provide Multiple Means of Representation

Resourceful, knowledgeable learners

Provide options for comprehension

- + Activate or supply background knowledge
- + Highlight patterns, critical features, big ideas, and relationships
- + Guide information processing, visualization, and manipulation
- + Maximize transfer and generalization

Provide options for language, mathematical expressions, and symbols

- + Clarify vocabulary and symbols
- + Clarify syntax and structure
- + Support decoding text, mathematical notation, and symbols
- + Promote understanding across languages
- + Illustrate through multiple media

Provide options for perception

- + Offer ways of customizing the display of information
- + Offer alternatives for auditory information
- + Offer alternatives for visual information



Provide Multiple Means of Action & Expression

Strategic, goal-directed learners

Provide options for executive functions

- + Guide appropriate goal-setting
- + Support planning and strategy development
- + Enhance capacity for monitoring progress

Provide options for expression and communication

- + Use multiple media for communication
- + Use multiple tools for construction and composition
- + Build fluencies with graduated levels of support for practice and performance

Provide options for physical action

- + Vary the methods for response and navigation
- + Optimize access to tools and assistive technologies

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