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Going Beyond Standard 8: Linking WCAG 2.1 with Accessibility and Usability Standard of the QM Rubric

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Empire State College

- Over 30 locations throughout New York State
- Individualized learning
- Mostly adult learners
- Master model
- Undergraduate / Graduate
- Around 600 online courses multiple sections a term

ESC Accessibility Practices

WCAG 2.1 Level AA

- Course Navigation
- Page Design and Layout
- Images, Documents and Webpages
- Captions and Transcripts
- Quality of Resources and Design
- VPAT for Course Technologies

Accessibility Checklist

- Needed a reporting tool
- Analyzed WCAG guidelines as they relate to ESC's undergraduate course design model
- Compiled checklist with practical examples and tools
- After each revision report completed and centrally stored

Standard 8 Alignment

- 8.1 Course Navigation Facilitates Ease of Use
 - WCAG 1.3.1, 1.3.2, 1.3.3
 - WCAG 1.4.1, 1.4.5, 1.4.11
- 8.2 Course Design Facilitates Readability
 - WCAG 1.3.1, 1.3.2, 1.3.3
 - WCAG 1.4.3, 1.4.4, 1.4.13

Questions

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