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Non-Discrimination Policy Information

Imperial Valley College makes every effort to ensure that our web pages are accessible to individuals with disabilities.

The college has adopted priority one standards from the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines 2 (WCAG 2.0). These standards are currently being incorporated into our web pages. A student with a verified disability may be entitled to appropriate academic accommodations. Please contact your instructor or the Disabled Students Programs and Services at 760-355-6434 for further information.

If you need information in an alternate format please contact the Disabled Students Programs

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and Services. Persons who are deaf, hard of hearing or speech impaired, and have difficulty using a telephone, are encouraged to use the following email to request information and accommodations: ada@imperial.edu or you may use the following ADA Accommodations Request Form.

Helpful feedback may include:

- What you were trying to do
- What technologies you may have been using
- The barrier or issue you encountered
- The web address where you experienced the issue

Accessibility

This website has been developed in compliance with California Government Code 11135, located in Section D of the California Government Code. Code 11135 requires that all electronic and information technology developed or purchased by the State of California Government is accessible to people with disabilities. There are various types of physical disabilities that impact user interaction on the web. Vision loss, hearing loss, limited manual dexterity, and cognitive disabilities are examples, with each having different means by which to access electronic information effectively. Our goal is to provide a good web experience for all visitors.

Below you will find a list of some of the technology solutions we have integrated to make our websites easy to navigate, fast-loading and accessible. To further improve the ease of use

and readability of this site, such as increasing the font size, please review the section below on how to customize your browser.

Quick Links

- Change font size
- Keyboard and mouse shortcuts
- Browser add-ons
- Customize your browser

What Makes Our Website Accessible?

- Clean, Simple and Consistent
  Our website uses simple information architecture with uniform navigation and reliable headings throughout. Content layout and graphical design are consistent on every page.
- "Skip To:" Menu
  The **"Skip to" navigation** appears at the top of each page. It allows the user to jump to the content area, accessibility page, or footer, and skip the navigation and other header elements, which repeat on every page.
- The Navigation
  The main navigation, located just below the title banner (California logo and branding banner), uses **lists**. Lists make it easier for screen readers to literally read down the list without having to sort through unnecessary code. Lists also allow the users to use the tab key to move from link to link.
- Breadcrumb Navigation
  Breadcrumbs, located at the top of each page (except for the homepage) and directly below the main navigation, let you know where you are and where you have been, or where a particular file resides. Breadcrumbs make it easier to navigate your way back to the root

folder.

- Images With Alternative Text
  Photographs and other relevant images on the site are accompanied by alternative text (the ALT tag.) Alt tags provide a written description of the image, which is accessible to screen readers, and it is visible when the mouse is placed over the image. This is also useful for people who have images turned off on their browser, in which case a description will display where the image used to be.

- Relative Font Sizing
  Relative font size can be enlarged using [magnification tools or by changing your browser settings](#).

- Style Sheets
  Cascading Style Sheets (CSS) are used for content layout and graphical elements (color, font styles, custom titles and subtitles, etc.) Using CSS for styling keeps our HTML clean, streamlined, easier to maintain, and it downloads faster. [Style sheets can be replaced](#) by the user's own styles.

  To turn CSS off, and access the content without any formatting, download and install the [Firefox Web Developer toolbar](#) or the [Internet Explorer Developer toolbar](#). With these toolbars turning CSS on and off is just a click away, plus they offer many other helpful tools. If you use a different browser, do an Internet search for accessibility for your particular browser.

- Fluid Sizing Display
  The width of our pages changes and adapts to the width of your browser. This is more noticeable if you have a large screen and/or use high resolution for your monitor. Our website is viewed best at a minimum of 960 x 600 pixels.

Accessible Via Mouse or Keyboard
You can use the mouse or keyboard to navigate through our information. The **tab key** will move the cursor from link to link.

- No Sound, No Images, No Problem
  Content is accessible without sound, color, scripts or graphics.
- Improved Search Engine
  Google search engine provides more relevant results than our previous state search application.

Customize Your Browser to Fit Your Needs

Change font size

In most browsers (example: Internet Explorer, Firefox, Netscape) you could change the font size by following the steps below:

- **Open** your browser
- Click **View** button from top menu bar
- Click **Text Size**
- Select your option

If your browser uses a different naming convention and you do not see this path, please check the Help menu on your browser. The Help menu is usually the last option on the top menu bar, and it can often be accessed by pressing the keys "Alt" + "H".

In addition, newer browser versions have a magnifying tool that lets you zoom into a page and display all elements at 150 percent, 200

percent, etc. Look for the magnifying tool with a "+" character. This icon is typically located at the bottom of your browser, on the right, or at the top, below the standard menu tools, on the right. Furthermore, the keyboard shortcut to access this tool is: **"Ctrl"** + **"Shift"** + **"+"** to zoom in, and **"Ctrl"** + **"Shift"** + **"-"** to zoom out.

Shortcuts

- [Keyboard shortcuts](): This is a list of the most common keyboard shortcuts in Firefox, and the equivalents in Internet Explorer and Opera (from Firefox website).
- [Mouse shortcuts](): This is a list of the most common mouse shortcuts in Firefox, and the equivalents in Internet Explorer and Opera. The shortcuts are for Windows, but most of the Firefox shortcuts should work in Linux, too (from FireFox website).
- [Internet Explorer keyboard shortcuts]().

Add-ons

- [Internet Explorer developer toolbar](): Disable all CSS and images, resize window, etc.
- Making Internet Explorer more accessible:
  - [Internet Explorer accessibility options]()
  - [Fill in website forms and passwords automatically]()
  - [Zoom in on a webpage]()
- [Internet Explorer accessibility options]() (from Microsoft.com) - Internet Explorer offers many accessibility options to help increase readability and to work better with assistive technology. The IE link above offers answers to some common questions about accessibility options in Internet Explorer:
  - Can I use the keyboard to surf the web?

- - Can I customize the font size, formatting, and screen colors?
  - How can I improve the way IE works with my screen reader or voice recognition software?
  - How can I improve legibility when printing webpages?

Change CSS

- Below is the step by step on how to change the style sheet file in Internet Explorer. For other browsers please check the Help menu.
  - Click **Tools** from the top menu bar
  - Select **Internet Options**
  - Select the **General** tab (first tab)
  - Click on **Accessibility** button (bottom section, Appearance)
  - Click on checkboxes to ignore all colors and font styles and sizes and/or
  - Click on checkbox: "Format documents using my style sheet"
  - Browse to your personal style sheet and
  - Click OK

We are constantly updating our content and striving to make it accessible. If you have any questions or suggestions, please [contact us](#).

Difficulty Accessing Material

If you have difficulty accessing any material on this site because of a disability, please contact us in writing and we will work with you to make the information available. You can direct your request to the [ADA Accommodations's Request Form](#).

Campus Contact Info

We're here to help! Please reach out to us if you have any questions or concerns.

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Mission Statement

The mission of Imperial Valley College is to foster excellence in education that challenges students of every background to develop their intellect, character, and abilities; to assist students in achieving their educational and career goals; and to be responsive to the greater community.

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