

Public Accessibility Statement

Missouri Western State University (MoWest) is committed to making our campus accessible. “Accessible” means that all individuals, regardless of their abilities, can access our campus facilities, electronic and information technology, and educational opportunities fully, independently, and in a timely manner or with substantially equivalent access and ease of use. We are actively working to enhance usability, remove barriers, and align with inclusive design best practices.

Scope & Standards

MoWest designs and maintains the web infrastructure to meet the technical standard of Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) 2.1 AA (or later) and complies with applicable provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and related regulations.

We actively work to identify, prioritize, and remove accessibility barriers in our digital platforms, applications, electronic resources, and physical spaces. Our efforts include ongoing assessment of our information technology and physical infrastructure, implementation of universal design principles, and continuous improvement of digital content.

How to Request Accommodations or Modifications

Students: [Accessibility Resource Center](#)

Employees: [Human Resource Office](#)

Measures to Support Accessibility

Missouri Western State University (MoWest) takes the following measures to ensure accessibility of the MoWest website:

- Include accessibility as a requirement for all web content. Content must meet WCAG 2.1 AA.
- Assign clear accessibility goals and responsibilities.
- Ensure content authors have accessibility knowledge, skills and resources.
- Include accessibility in our internal policies.

[AbilityNet](#) has advice on making your device easier to use if you have a disability and offers step by step instructions on how to adapt your phone, computer or tablet to meet your needs.

Conformance Status

The Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) standard defines requirements to improve accessibility for people with disabilities. It defines three levels of conformance: Level A, Level AA and

Level AAA. “Fully conforms” means that the content meets all of the WCAG requirements at the specified Level without exceptions.

MoWest website content posted since April 2024 conforms to WCAG 2.1 Level AA.

Older content partially conforms to earlier versions of WCAG. Most of the older content is archived and will not be updated.

Technical Specification

The MoWest website relies upon the following technologies:

- WordPress
- HTML
- CSS
- JavaScript

Limitations and Alternatives

Several videos on the MoWest website use YouTube and Panopto. MP4 files of videos after January 1, 2026 are available upon request.

As a WordPress site, we rely on third-party plugins to provide additional functionality. Due to the nature of third-party plugins, we are unable to directly influence their function or coding.

If you need assistance with accessing information or a function on our website, please contact the Marketing and Communications team, marketing@missouriwestern.edu.

Assessment Approach

Missouri Western State University assessed the accessibility of the MoWest website by self-evaluation using open source tools, such as [ANDI](#) and [Google Lighthouse](#). We understand that these cannot experience our website the way humans can, and therefore are limited to evaluation at a technical level only. We encourage you to contact us if you run into an issue that we have missed in our evaluations.

Feedback

We welcome your feedback on the accessibility of the MoWest website. Please let us know if you encounter accessibility barriers.

[Report a Campus Accessibility Concern](#)