



Website Accessibility Statement

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Accountability: Claire Parfitt, Communications Manager

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Accessibility Statement for St Edmund Hall

This accessibility statement applies to the [St Edmund Hall website](#) (this website).

This website is run by St Edmund Hall. We want as many people as possible to be able to use this website and are working towards bringing it in line with the [Web Content Accessibility Guidelines version 2.1](#) level AA (WCAG).

How accessible this website is

We know that some parts of this website are not yet fully accessible. For example:

- Not all functionality is operable through a keyboard.
- Our existing PDF, Word and Excel documents are not fully accessible to screen reader software.
- Pre-recorded video does not have alternative text transcripts, subtitles, or captions.
- We have many ambiguous link titles such as 'Find out more' throughout the website.
- It is not currently possible to resize the text by 200% without loss of visible content.

Feedback and contact information

If you need information on this website in a different format like accessible PDF, large print, easy read, audio recording or braille:

Email: communications@seh.ox.ac.uk

Call: [+44 \(0\)1865 279000](tel:+44(0)1865279000)

We will consider your request and get back to you within 10 days.

If you cannot view the maps on our [Maps of St Edmund Hall](#) page, call or email us for directions.

Reporting accessibility problems with this website

We are always looking to improve the accessibility of this website. If you find any problems not listed on this page or think we're not meeting accessibility requirements, contact Claire Parfitt, Communications Manager:

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Enforcement procedure

The Equality and Human Rights Commission (EHRC) is responsible for enforcing the Public Sector Bodies (Websites and Mobile Applications) (No. 2) Accessibility Regulations 2018 (the 'accessibility regulations'). If you are not happy with how we respond to your complaint, [contact the Equality Advisory and Support Service \(EASS\)](#).

Contacting us by phone or visiting us in person

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[Find out how to visit us](#).

Technical information about this website's accessibility

St Edmund Hall is committed to making its website accessible, in accordance with the Public Sector Bodies (Websites and Mobile Applications) (No. 2) Accessibility Regulations 2018.

Compliance status

This website is partially compliant with the [Web Content Accessibility Guidelines version 2.1](#) AA standard, due to the non-compliances and exemptions listed below.

Non-accessible content

The content listed below is non-accessible for the following reasons.

Non-compliance with the accessibility regulations

Distinguishable

- It is not currently possible to resize the text by 200% without loss of visible content. This fails WCAG 2.1 success criterion 1.4.12 Text Spacing.
- When increasing text spacing using CSS style properties, a loss of visible content occurs. This fails WCAG 2.1 success criterion 1,4,12 Text Spacing.

Keyboard Accessible

- Not all functionality is operable through a keyboard for example, our dropdown navigation menus and our enlarged image viewer functionality. This fails WCAG 2.1 success criterion 2.1.1 Keyboard.

Navigable

- It is not currently possible for keyboard users to bypass blocks of content that are repeated on multiple pages. For example, the main navigation links and dropdown menus. This fails WCAG 2.1 success criterion 2.4.1 Bypass Blocks.
- Some text links within the website currently use ambiguous calls to action such as 'Find out more'. The purpose of such links cannot be determined from the link text alone. This fails WCAG 2.1 success criterion 2.4.4 Link Purpose (In Context).
- Some of the links within our website are ambiguous using call to actions such as 'Find out more' while not making it clear to screen reader users what they are finding out about. This fails WCAG 2.1 success criterion 2.4.4 Link Purpose.
- The keyboard focus indicator is not visible within our website. This fails WCAG 2.1 success criterion 2.4.7 Focus Visible.

Disproportionate burden

PDF, Word and Excel documents

As of the 21 September 2020 all PDF, Word and Excel documents available for download within our website were not created as accessible files. As these files will be replaced periodically with updated versions. We believe that replacing existing versions now would be a disproportionate burden within the meaning of the accessibility regulations.

Following 23 September 2020, we will ensure that newly published documents will meet the accessibility standards.

Content that is not within the scope of the accessibility regulations

Pre-recorded Video

As of writing this accessibility statement all pre-recorded audio and video media published before 23 September 2020 is exempt from the scope of the accessibility regulations.

All new or updated pre-recorded audio and video content will meet the accessibility standards with the inclusion of:

- Alternative text transcripts – to satisfy WCAG 2.1 success criterion 1.2.1 Audio-only and Video-only (Pre-recorded).
- Caption – to satisfy WCAG 2.1 success criterion 1.2.2 Captions (Pre-recorded).
- Audio description – to satisfy WCAG 2.1 success criterion 1.2.5 Audio Description (Pre-recorded).

Following the 23 September 2020, we will continue to utilise pre-recorded video content from The University of Oxford within our course pages and wider website content. As this content is not under our control it remains exempt from the scope of the accessibility regulations.

Heritage Collections

Our website pages contain scanned images from our archives, books and collections which are exempt from the scope of the accessibility regulations. Therefore, we are not required to provide text alternatives for any written information shown within these images.

What we are doing to improve accessibility

Work to address the identified non-compliant elements within our website is currently underway and it is our intention to have replacement accessible content in place by September 2021.

Preparation of this accessibility statement

This website was last tested on 8 July 2020 and was carried out by REDBOT Limited.

This statement was prepared on 18 September 2020 and was last reviewed on 22 February 2023.

When choosing a sample of pages to test against the WCAG version 2.1 level A and AA criteria, we adopted a strategy of selecting one page for each of the fixed content templates along with several other pages that utilised our flexible content template. This approach ensured that we tested every available content type utilised throughout the website.

Version Control

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