



## CUDA's Newsletter of latest posts

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### Gender inclusive transit planning

Data on travel behaviours is essential in transit planning, but are there some gaps in whose data are collected? Without knowing the travel behaviours of women from men, it is not possible to know what the differences are. Consequently, it is not possible to include the travel needs of women in transit planning. Gender-responsive public transportation systems that are safe, ...

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### Co-designing with young people

Student voices are important in the design of health and wellbeing infrastructure. Being young does not automatically mean being fit and healthy especially in low socio-economic areas. The ability to share public space and support services is essential to wellbeing at any age. Co-designing with young people provides opportunities to include their perspectives. Infrastructure development is increasingly being used as ...

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### Shaping perceptions of ageing

An interesting finding in a report on ageism is that there is a lack of people willing to talk about older people and ageing. That is, compared to other interest groups. I wonder if this is true. Or is it part of the general stereotyping or prejudice that the report has highlighted? Are age advocacy groups and researchers invisible as ...

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## Who gets heard in research methods?

Many studies use research methods that are not designed to enable everyone to participate. This means only some people get heard and for others, researchers aren't hearing them. Whether it's academic research or a workplace survey researchers could be missing out on valuable information. Cathy Basterfield makes this point in her short article on who gets heard in research methods ...

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## Victorian Government Universal Design Policy

The Victorian Government has updated their universal design policy which applies to the whole of government. Previously it sat within the health and building department. The policy is not just an empty statement - it has actions embedded. These actions begin with the procurement process for built environment projects. Universal design is a design philosophy that ensures products, buildings, environments, ...

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## 8-Inclusion needs to prevent discrimination

The 7 Principles and the 8 Goals of universal design have their roots in the built environment and people with disability. We have moved on since their inception to thinking about how other marginalised groups can be included. With this thinking comes intersectionality where an individual can be a member of more than one of those groups. For example, a ...

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## Introduction to Universal Design - free online course

CUDA's online course is free and a certificate of completion will be sent once all sections of the course are completed. That includes the final questionnaire. It covers different definitions, diversity, stereotypes and the application of universal design.

**[Sign up here and get started](#)** in the free Introduction to Universal Design course. It will take less than an hour.

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## Conferences and calls for papers

This page has the latest information on upcoming conferences and calls for papers. New to the list: Ageing Well and e-Health: ICT4AWE 2025, 6-8 April 2025, Portugal, hybrid. Call for submissions open until 29 October 2024. Diversity and Inclusion 2024 Summit, 15 November 2024 in Melbourne. NTRO International Conference, The Transport Revolution: Solutions led by innovation , 7-9 May 2025, Melbourne. ...

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## Model Universal Design Position Statement

CUDA has devised a model document to help organisations develop their own universal design policy or statement. The CUDA Universal Design Position Statement covers all the basics in a straightforward way. At the end of the document, organisations can insert links to their own policy documents that relate to the position statement. There's a one page plain language version too.

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## Livable Housing Design Course

This short online course is tailor-made for professionals in the housing and home modifications sectors who want to know how to apply the Livable Housing Design Standard in the National Construction Code. It covers the technical details of the different ways to achieve a level entry, circulation spaces, bathroom details, and more. Good for anyone doing home modifications.

Use the coupon code **LHD20** to get a \$20 discount at the checkout page.

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