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Building capacity for engaged research

Talking about co-design and stakeholder engagement is one thing. Knowing how to do it is another. While organisations and universities like to make engagement central to their work, institutional practices are not keeping pace. Institutional policies, publishing pressures, and additional time needed stand in the way. Building capacity for engaged research is more than knowing how to run a focus ...

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Obstacles to accessible tourism

Why do hotels make their accessible rooms with bathrooms that look like a hospital? No wonder people don't want to use them - even wheelchair users! That was one of the findings from a study of stakeholders' perspectives. The study found many instances of outright discrimination, as well as misunderstandings about universal design. Clearly there are many obstacles to accessible ...

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Urban density: not the answer to everything

Politicians and planners make frequent calls for older Australians to give up their three bedroom homes to make way for "working families". They expect them to move into apartments. But is urban density the answer? Regardless of the ageist inference that older people are "hogging all the houses", with the political focus on working families, little room is left to ...

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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.

Conferences and calls for papers

New to the list: National Housing Conference 2025: 14-16 October 2023, Perth, Australia.

Call for papers opening soon. New to the list: Ageing Well and e-Health: ICT4AWE 2025, 6-8 April 2025, Portugal, hybrid. NTRO International Conference, The Transport Revolution: Solutions led by innovation , 7-9 May 2025, Melbourne. ... Neurodiversity Forum 2025: Inclusive Design for ...

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Model Universal Design Position Statement

Has your organisation been wanting to draft a universal design position statement and not sure where to start? Well, CUDA has devised a model document to get you going. 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 ...

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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 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.

Check out [more information about the course](#) and sign up.

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