



## REQUEST FOR QUOTES

eAccess is a multi-year grant funded by Entente-Canada-Québec with the mission to increase accessibility in digital learning environments in post-secondary education in Quebec. It is a partnership between Concordia University, Bishop's University, McGill University, Dawson College, and CEGEP à Distance. We are seeking bids for **Web Development Services** from vendors or freelancers with deep expertise in designing for accessibility.

We're looking to **achieve a beautiful, interactive and engaging website that is also optimized for accessibility**. The site will host a series of newly-created learning modules; a digital certificate program; a knowledge forum of resources, a blog, and possibly digital events (previous accessXchange event site [here](#)); and other pertinent components as our main platform.

Working in collaboration with the Project Lead and other key stakeholders in project, the Web Developer vendor/freelancer will have:

### Minimum Core Knowledge:

- Proven experience in accessible web development, ideally with an existing CMS (Wordpress, Wix, Squarespace) that can be handed-off to a content manager
- Excellent understanding of design principles to achieve a beautiful and accessible site
- Knowledge of accessibility best practices for UI design, implementation, and testing, including effective use of alt text, captions, transcripts, and colour contrast
- Expert knowledge of WCAG 2.0 and Québec's [SGQRI 008 2.0](#)
- Knowledge of accessibility features across a full range of operating systems and browsers
- Knowledge of a range of assistive technologies and devices (E.g. NVDA, VoiceOver, JAWS, others)
- Experience with automated accessibility checkers and remediation
- Ability to work with Storyline files
- Excellent project management skills
- Strong oral communication skills
- Strong ability to translate technical aspects of web development and accessibility features to stakeholders
- Ability to work with IT services or other departments, if necessary

### Additional Skills:

- Experience with disabled users, disability communities and discourses
- Functional knowledge of [ATAG 2.0](#) and [UAAG 2.0](#) specifications
- Networked with the global accessibility community
- Qualitative research background (user studies)



Project Timeline and Quote Submission:

Please submit a detailed quote indicating services, resources, timeline and links to work samples by **August 10th, 2020**

Project completion: October 31, 2020

Contact/Submissions:

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