Universal Design

7 principles to designing an environment

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Equitable Use

The design is useful and marketable to people with diverse abilities.

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Flexibility in Use

The design accomodates a wide range of individual preferences and abilities.

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Simple and Intuitive Use

Use of the design is easy to understand, regardless of the user's experience, knowledge, language skills, or concentration level.

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Perceptible Information

The design communicates information effectively to the user, regardless of ambient conditions or the user's sensory abilities.

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Tolerance for Error

The design minimizes hazards and the adverse consequences of accidental or unintended actions.

Low Physical Effort

The design can be used efficiently and comfortably and with a minimum of fatigue.

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Size and Space for Approach and Use

Appropriate size and space is provided for approach, reach, manipulation, and use regardless of user's size, posture, or mobility.