

How can Universal Design be used in my next project?



This installment of the One Region Forward Learning Series was organized by the Center for Inclusive Design and Environmental Access, School of Architecture and Planning, University at Buffalo.



10:00 a.m. Welcome and Introductions

10:10 a.m. What is Universal Design?

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10:50 a.m. CASE STUDIES: Universal Design in Practice

Children's Museum of Pittsburgh | MuseumLab, Pittsburgh, PA

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Inclusion in Motion Playground, Canandaigua, NY
Sonya Smith, DPT, Co-founder of Inclusion in Motion

11:30 a.m. Q&A

Danise Levine, M.Arch., AIA, R.A., CAPS, Assistant Director
of the Center for Inclusive Design and Environmental Access (IDEA Center) University at Buffalo School of Architecture and Planning

12:00 p.m. Adjourn



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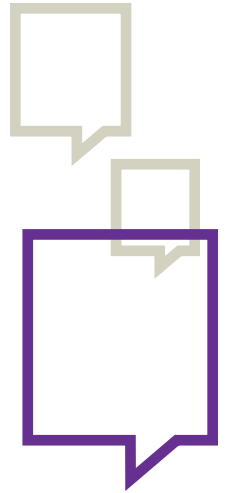
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ABOUT THE LEARNING SERIES

Introduced in 2020, the One Region Forward Learning Series is part of ongoing efforts to support local action around the One Region Forward Plan's vision. Each session focuses on a topic related to One Region Forward's implementation agenda and includes information, resources, and case studies on how ideas can move into implementation at the local level.

To learn more about the One Region Forward Plan, please visit: regional-institute.buffalo.edu/work/one-region-forward/



TODAY'S SPEAKERS

WHAT IS UNIVERSAL DESIGN?

KRISTA MACY, ASSOC. AIA

Architectural Research Associate Center for Inclusive Design and Environmental Access (IDEA Center) University at Buffalo School of Architecture and Planning

Krista is an Architectural Design Research Associate at the Center for Inclusive Design and Environmental Access with experience in design for accessibility, sustainable and universal design. She is engaged in diverse research projects intended to meet the needs of an increasingly diverse population. Her recent activities include designing home modifications and conducting accessibility and universal design assessments for industry partners.

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SONYA SMITH, DPT, Co-founder of Inclusion in Motion

Sonya has practiced in the field of pediatric physical therapy for over a decade. She received her doctorate degree from the University at Buffalo and has since worked in a wide range of clinical settings including the neonatal intensive care unit, early intervention, schools, hospital rehabilitation centers, and in outpatient clinics. She is currently in private practice in the Finger Lakes Region and sitting for the Pediatric Clinical Specialized board exam this winter.

Sonya is a recipient of the 2012 Healthcare Hero Award from Cape Fear Valley Medical System, the 2010 Award of Clinical Excellence from the University of Buffalo and is a current nominee for the 2021 ATHENA Young Professional Award.

In 2015, she became co-founder of Inclusion In Motion, a non-profit born with the sole purpose of bringing a fully inclusive playground to Canandaigua, NY. These plans soon transformed into developing the first universally designed and certified playground in the United States thanks to a partnership with the Inclusive Design and Environmental Access Center (IDEA Center) at her alma mater, the University at Buffalo.

Sonya is a wife and a proud mother to two girls, ages 2 and 5. She is fueled to change the standard of playground spaces such all other children can play seamlessly alongside their friends, peers, siblings, parents, and grandparents; regardless of age of ability.

Q&A

DANISE LEVINE, M. ARCH. AIA, R.A., CAPS

Assistant Director of the Center for Inclusive Design and Environmental Access (IDEA Center) University at Buffalo School of Architecture and Planning

As a registered architect, Danise impressive contribution to the fields of accessible and universal design are numerous. She aspires to be a change-maker, actively working to change peoples' lives and alter the way they interact with their environments. With over 1000 successful home modification projects and a dozen new single-family homes completed, she has enabled many individuals with disabilities to remain in their homes and community. She also understands the importance of forging relationships with her clients. Working successfully for over 25 years with families, contractors, and care coordinators, this rewarding work has resulted in valuable connections with clients and partners that have flourished over the years into positive working relationships and friendships. Danise thrives on the variety that makes life interesting and worthwhile and is motivated each day by new challenges.

RESOURCES

IDEA Center

The IDEA Center produces knowledge and tools to increase equity in design for underrepresented groups. We create person-centered products, programs, and environments and we share these practices with change-makers in universities, organizations, and communities. We strive for results that empower, inspire, and build an inclusive community for all.

<http://idea.ap.buffalo.edu/>

Innovative Solutions For Universal Design

A voluntary building certificate program to guide designers, developers, lenders, governments and end users to understand and apply Universal Design Standards and certify their efforts in creating fully accessible buildings and products.

www.thisisud.com/

Universal Design Education Online

Learn about the foundations, issues, and elements of universal design in the built environment with our online continuing education courses and professional training services, including webinars and in-person training sessions tailored to your professional needs.

www.udeducation.org/

NYSDA's Clean Energy Communities program

Local governments in New York State can use the Clean Energy Communities program to implement clean energy actions, save energy costs, create jobs, and improve the environment. In addition to providing tools, resources, and technical assistance, the program recognizes and rewards leadership for the completion of clean energy projects.

www.nyseda.ny.gov/All-Programs/Programs/Clean-Energy-Communities

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