

# Brill Scholarly Editions Accessibility Conformance Report, WCAG Edition

VPAT® for Brill Publishers Scholarly Editions

- **VPAT® Version 2.3 – December 2018**
- **Name of Product/Version:** Scholarly Editions, <https://dh.brill.com/scholarlyeditions/>
- **Product Description:** Brill Scholarly Editions is a reading environment for text editions in the broadest sense of the word: critical editions, facsimiles, translations, and commentaries
- **Date:** March 4, 2019
- **Contact information:** [accessibility@brill.com](mailto:accessibility@brill.com)
- **Notes:** Brill Scholarly Editions meets or exceeds WCAG 2.0 and WCAG 2.1 Level AA guidelines, and some Level AAA guidelines.
- **Evaluation Methods Used:** manual evaluation, wave (web accessibility evaluation tool) browser extension

## Applicable Standards/Guidelines

This report covers the degree of conformance for the following accessibility standard/guidelines:

Standard/Guideline	Included In Report
Web Content Accessibility Guidelines 2.0, at <a href="http://www.w3.org/TR/2008/REC-WCAG20-20081211/">http://www.w3.org/TR/2008/REC-WCAG20-20081211/</a>	Level A (Yes) Level AA (Yes) Level AAA (Yes)
Web Content Accessibility Guidelines 2.1 at <a href="https://www.w3.org/TR/WCAG21/">https://www.w3.org/TR/WCAG21/</a>	Level A (Yes) Level AA (Yes) Level AAA (Yes)

## Terms

The terms used in the Conformance Level information are defined as follows:

- **Supports:** The functionality of the product has at least one method that meets the criterion without known defects or meets with equivalent facilitation.
- **Partially Supports:** Some functionality of the product does not meet the criterion.
- **Does Not Support:** The majority of product functionality does not meet the criterion.
- **Not Applicable:** The criterion is not relevant to the product.
- **Not Evaluated:** The product has not been evaluated against the criterion. This can be used only in WCAG 2.0 Level AAA.

## WCAG 2.x Report

Note: When reporting on conformance with the WCAG 2.x Success Criteria, they are scoped for full pages, complete processes, and accessibility-supported ways of using technology as documented in the WCAG 2.0 Conformance Requirements.

Table 1: Success Criteria, Level A

Criteria	Conformance Level	Remarks and Explanations
<b>1.1.1 Non-text Content</b> (Level A)	Supports	
<b>1.2.1 Audio-only and Video-only (Prerecorded)</b> (Level A)	Not applicable	
<b>1.2.2 Captions (Prerecorded)</b> (Level A)	Not applicable	
<b>1.2.3 Audio Description or Media Alternative (Prerecorded)</b> (Level A)	Not applicable	
<b>1.3.1 Info and Relationships</b> (Level A)	Supports	Heading use is sometimes inconsistent
<b>1.3.2 Meaningful Sequence</b> (Level A)	Supports	
<b>1.3.3 Sensory Characteristics</b> (Level A)	Supports	
<b>1.4.1 Use of Color</b> (Level A)	Supports	
<b>1.4.2 Audio Control</b> (Level A)	Not applicable	

<b>2.1.1 Keyboard</b> (Level A)	Partially supports	Minor reduction in functionality when navigation solely with a keyboard. Requires improvement *1.
<b>2.1.2 No Keyboard Trap</b> (Level A)	Supports	
2.1.4 Character Key Shortcuts (Level A 2.1 only)	Not applicable	
<b>2.2.1 Timing Adjustable</b> (Level A)	Not applicable	
<b>2.2.2 Pause, Stop, Hide</b> (Level A)	Not applicable	
<b>2.3.1 Three Flashes or Below Threshold</b> (Level A)	Not applicable	
<b>2.4.1 Bypass Blocks</b> (Level A)	Partially supports	Bypassing blocks in library components is supported. Requires improvements
<b>2.4.2 Page Titled</b> (Level A)	Supports	Requires improvements, Dynamic page titles can be improved by supplying more descriptive texts indicating page context
<b>2.4.3 Focus Order</b> (Level A)	Partially supports	Tab navigation is missing. Requires improvements
<b>2.4.4 Link Purpose (In Context)</b> (Level A)	Supports	
2.5.1 Pointer Gestures (Level A 2.1 only)	Not applicable	
2.5.2 Pointer Cancellation (Level A 2.1 only)	Supports	
2.5.3 Label in Name (Level A 2.1 only)	Not supported	
2.5.4 Motion Actuation (Level A 2.1 only)	Not applicable	
<b>3.1.1 Language of Page</b> (Level A)	Supports	

<b>3.2.1 On Focus</b> (Level A)	Supports	
<b>3.2.2 On Input</b> (Level A)	Supports	
<b>3.3.1 Error Identification</b> (Level A)	Supports	
<b>3.3.2 Labels or Instructions</b> (Level A)	Supports	
<b>4.1.1 Parsing</b> (Level A)	Supports	
<b>4.1.2 Name, Role, Value</b> (Level A)	Not applicable	

Table 2: Success Criteria, Level AA

Criteria	Conformance Level	Remarks and Explanations
<b>1.2.4 Captions (Live)</b> (Level AA)	Not applicable	Currently there are no live events associated with Brill Scholarly Editions
<b>1.2.5 Audio Description (Prerecorded)</b> (Level AA)	Not applicable	
<b>1.3.4 Orientation</b> (Level AA 2.1 only)	Supports	
1.3.5 Identify Input Purpose (Level AA 2.1 only)	Supports	
<b>1.4.3 Contrast (Minimum)</b> (Level AA)	Partially supported	Certain white - gray contrasts need to be improved *6
<b>1.4.4 Resize text</b> (Level AA)	Supports	
<b>1.4.5 Images of Text</b> (Level AA)	Supports	
<b>1.4.10 Reflow</b> (Level AA 2.1 only)	Supports	
1.4.11 Non-text Contrast (Level AA 2.1 only)	Supports	
1.4.12 Text Spacing (Level AA 2.1 only)	Supports	
1.4.13 Content on Hover or Focus (Level AA 2.1 only)	Supports	
<b>2.4.5 Multiple Ways</b> (Level AA)	Supports	

<b>2.4.6 Headings and Labels</b> (Level AA)	Supports	
<b>2.4.7 Focus Visible</b> (Level AA)	Supports	
<b>3.1.2 Language of Parts</b> (Level AA)	Supports	
<b>3.2.3 Consistent Navigation</b> (Level AA)	Supports	
<b>3.2.4 Consistent Identification</b> (Level AA)	Supports	
<b>3.3.3 Error Suggestion</b> (Level AA)	Supports	
<b>3.3.4 Error Prevention (Legal, Financial, Data)</b> (Level AA)	Not applicable	
4.1.3 Status Messages (Level AA 2.1 only)	Supports	

Table 3: Success Criteria, Level AAA

Criteria	Conformance Level	Remarks and Explanations
<b>1.2.6 Sign Language (Prerecorded)</b> (Level AAA)	Does not support	
<b>1.2.7 Extended Audio Description (Prerecorded)</b> (Level AAA)	Not applicable	

<b>1.2.8 Media Alternative (Prerecorded)</b> (Level AAA)	Does not support	
<b>1.2.9 Audio-only (Live)</b> (Level AAA)	Not applicable	
<b>1.3.6 Identify Purpose</b> (Level AAA 2.1 only)	Not supported	
<b>1.4.6 Contrast Enhanced</b> (Level AAA)	Partially supports	Most text meets the 7:1 threshold, but some UI elements and syntax highlighting features meet only WCAG AA contrast standards
<b>1.4.7 Low or No Background Audio</b> (Level AAA)	Not applicable	
<b>1.4.8 Visual Presentation</b> (Level AAA)	Partially supported	Text can be resized to 200% -- either as full magnification or text-only magnification -- for most content without requiring horizontal scrolling, but some UI components may overlap or clip text when text-only is magnified to 200%
<b>1.4.9 Images of Text</b>	Supports	

<b>(No Exception) Control</b> (Level AAA)		
<b>2.1.3 Keyboard (No Exception)</b> (Level AAA)	Partially supports	Minor reduction in functionality when navigation solely with a keyboard. Requires improvement.
<b>2.2.3 No Timing</b> (Level AAA)	Supports	
<b>2.2.4 Interruptions</b> (Level AAA)	Supports	
<b>2.2.5 Re-authenticating</b> (Level AAA)	Not applicable	
<b>2.2.6 Timeouts</b> (Level AAA 2.1 only)	Not applicable	
<b>2.3.2 Three Flashes</b> (Level AAA)	Supports	
<b>2.3.3 Animation from Interactions</b> (Level	Supports	

AAA 2.1 only)		
<b>2.4.8 Location</b> (Level AAA)	Supports	Breadcrumbs are available in some locations (e.g. user guides); visual indicators in the navigation menu show current location within the menu
<b>2.4.9 Link Purpose (Link Only)</b> (Level AAA)	Partially supports	Most links are uniquely identifiable by the link text only
<b>2.4.10 Section Headings</b> (Level AAA)	Supports	
2.5.5 Target Size (Level AAA 2.1 only)	Supports	
2.5.6 Concurrent Input Mechanisms (Level AAA 2.1 only)	Supports	
<b>3.1.3 Unusual Words</b> (Level AAA)	Not supported	By nature of the academic and scholarly content it is not possible to comprehensively provide definitions of all unusual words.
<b>3.1.4 Abbreviations</b> (Level AAA)	Partially supports	The full text of an abbreviation is often provided in the first instance and/or in an <abbr> element.



<b>3.1.5 Reading Level</b> (Level AAA)	Not supported	By nature of the academic and scholarly content it is not possible to provide a low reading level equivalent of the content.
<b>3.1.6 Pronunciation</b> (Level AAA)	Does not support	
<b>3.2.5 Change on Request</b> (Level AAA)	Not applicable	
<b>3.3.5 Help</b> (Level AAA)	Partially supports	Most of Brill Scholarly Editions is content + navigation, so it does not require context-sensitive help in most cases.
<b>3.3.6 Error Prevention (All)</b> (Level AAA)	Not applicable	

## Legal Disclaimer (Brill)

The information herein is provided in good faith based on Brill Scholarly Editions at the time of the review and does not represent a legally-binding claim. Please contact us to report any accessibility errors or conformance claim errors for re-evaluation and correction, if necessary.