Course Overview

Sidewalks, like roadways, should be designed to serve all users. To meet the needs of all sidewalk users, designers and builders need a clear understanding of the applicable standards and requirements, and the wide range of abilities of the users.

This course, developed by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals (APBP), teaches participants how to apply the guidelines and policies of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) to public rights-of-way. The course will examine range of pedestrian disabilities, how people with disabilities use pedestrian facilities, and how restrictive designs affect mobility and safety.

- Accessibility guidelines and requirements of the ADA
- Characteristics of pedestrians and the pedestrian environment
- Legal requirements and funding opportunities (US DOT and FHWA)
- Obligations to evaluate practices, policies and activities for discrimination and to remove barriers

Participants will learn how to enhance pedestrian mobility, independence and safety through accessible design and the accessible design elements of the pedestrian corridor, including:

- Accessible driveways and curb ramps
- Street crossings, including crosswalks, overpasses, underpasses, medians and islands
- Intersections and roundabouts
- Pedestrian signs and signals, including accessible pedestrian signals
- Temporary facilities and construction site safety

Who should attend

Urban and transportation planners, landscape architects, designers, engineers, advocates, and others with responsibility for designing, planning, and/or building pedestrian facilities in the public right of way.

Sponsored by

This course is sponsored by the Initiative for Bicycle and Pedestrian Innovation (ibpi) at Portland State University. IBPI promotes pedestrian and bicycle travel through research, education and outreach.

For more information

Contact the IBPI at ibpi@pdx.edu or 503-725-4024.
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Professional Development Course | Registration Form

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To Register: Mail, fax, email, or call in this form by September 20, 2012

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We will use email to confirm your registration and provide additional course information. If, after registering, you do not hear back from us in a timely manner, please contact us to confirm your registration.

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Payment:
☐ $295 - Includes morning coffee, snacks, lunch, and course materials.

Group Discounts: Groups of three or more from the same agency, registering at the same time, each receive a discount of $50 off the registration fee.

☐ Check enclosed. Make checks payable to Portland State University - IBPI

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Professional Development and Continuing Education

This course has been approved for 7 Certification Maintenance credits and 1.5 legal credits for planners from the American Planning Association and American Institute of Certified Planners. It also may satisfy continuing education requirements for other professionals as a condition for licensure or certification renewal. Participants should check with the certifying board or agency to determine if the course qualifies, and, in most cases, to maintain records to support credits claimed. IBPI provides a completion certificate for each course that documents attendance, course title, date, location and course instructor. Additional information can be provided upon request to satisfy certification requirements.

Refunds, credits & substitutions

To cancel your registration and receive a refund less a $50 processing fee, you must notify the Center for Transportation Studies at least three working days before the course is scheduled to begin. Notification must be made in writing, sent by e-mail to ibpi@pdx.edu, or by fax to 503.725.8480. In lieu of canceling a registration, you may send a substitute in your place by notifying us at least two working days before the class is scheduled to begin.