



societies

an Open Access Journal by MDPI



Exploring Disability in the Digital Realm

Guest Editors:

Dr. Beth Haller

Mass Communication Faculty,
Towson University, Towson, MD
21252, USA

Dr. Jeff Preston

King's University College, Western
University, London, ON N6A 2M3,
Canada

Deadline for manuscript
submissions:

1 June 2024

Message from the Guest Editors

Dear colleagues,

Several decades into a global disruption caused by the Internet, disabled people often lack access to information communication technology or online spaces.

However, even though the digital realm is filled with injustices, many disabled people also feel empowered by their digital technology. New adaptive devices offer disabled people a level of access previously unattainable, with telework platforms opening new employment opportunities for those unable to find accessible employment. The rise of 3D printing and schematic sharing online is slowly changing the relationship between users and manufacturers of adaptive devices. Social media platforms have enabled disability communities to form beyond geographic boundaries and foster an evolving disability culture. These networks provide an opportunity to show their resilience and ingenuity by sharing “life hacks” on how to survive in an inaccessible world.

This Special Issue will contribute to the growing interest about disabled people in digital spaces within the discipline of critical disability studies/disability studies.



mdpi.com/si/176519

Special Issue



societies



an Open Access Journal by MDPI

Editor-in-Chief

Prof. Dr. Gregor Wolbring

Community Rehabilitation and
Disability Studies, Cumming
School of Medicine, University of
Calgary, Calgary, AB T2N 4N1,
Canada

Message from the Editor-in-Chief

Societies (ISSN 2075-4698) is an interdisciplinary journal that brings together different scientific approaches to engage with societal questions to enhance our understanding of the social realm throughout history. The journal publishes original empirical research papers, literature reviews, and conceptual papers. Our aim is to publish papers that have a significant impact on addressing present and emerging societal questions. Therefore, we encourage researchers to publish their results in as much detail as possible. For empirical research papers and literature reviews, all experimental details must be provided, so that the results are reproducible. We also encourage the publication of timely theoretical pieces on topics of interest to existing and emerging societal questions. Papers are either published in the open journal or in Special Issues devoted to specific topics of interest to the field.

Author Benefits

Open Access : free for readers, with [article processing charges \(APC\)](#) paid by authors or their institutions.

High Visibility: indexed within [Scopus](#), [ESCI \(Web of Science\)](#), [RePEc](#), [EconBiz](#), and [other databases](#).

Journal Rank: CiteScore - Q2 (*General Social Sciences*)

Contact Us

Societies Editorial Office
MDPI, St. Alban-Anlage 66
4052 Basel, Switzerland

Tel: +41 61 683 77 34
www.mdpi.com

mdpi.com/journal/societies
societies@mdpi.com
[X@Societies_MDPI](#)