# SensusAccess

A new approach to support students and faculty who need alternate formats

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### SensusAccess

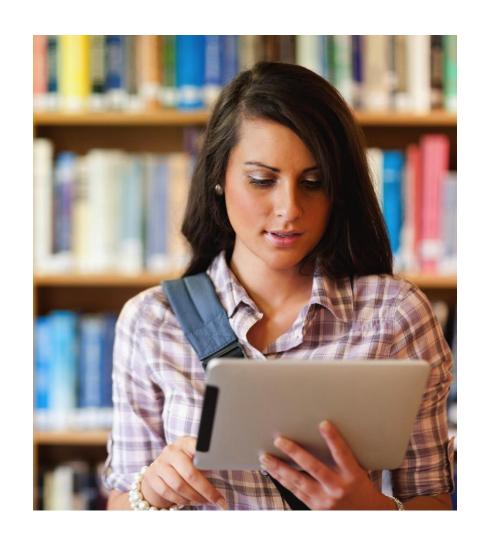
- Self-service alternate media solution
- SensusAccess
  - -Produces MP3 audio files
  - Produces structured audio books
  - Produces e-books
  - -Produces digital Braille books
  - Converts inaccessible and tricky documents into more accessible formats
- Supports multitude of languages

# Why SensusAccess?

Independence and self-sufficiency Inclusion in education and vocation

- Availability
- Privacy
- Multiple formats
- Cost and platforms
- Accessibility support in online education

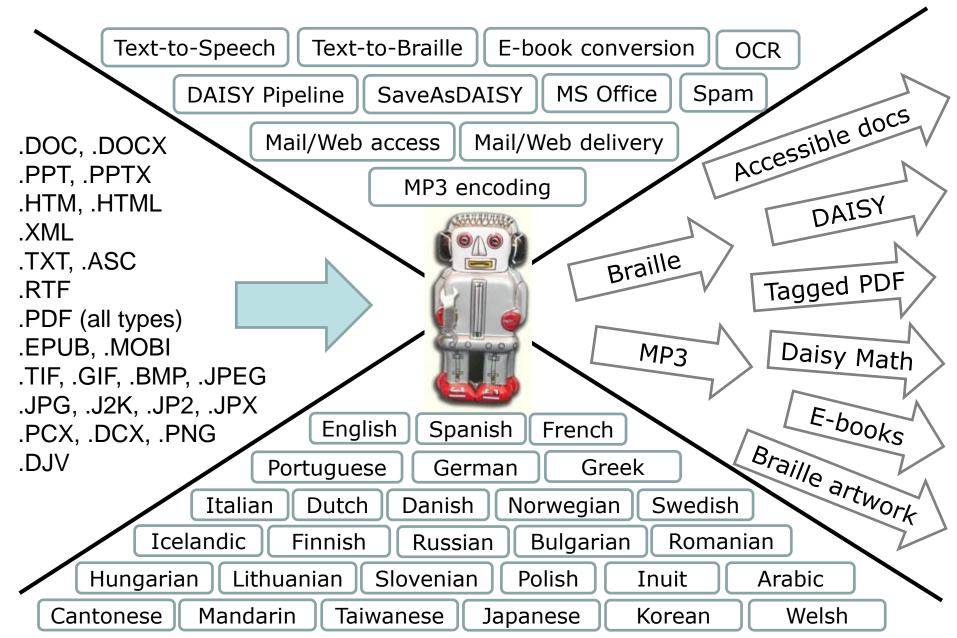
Long-term, inclusive, open



### Sensus Access Users

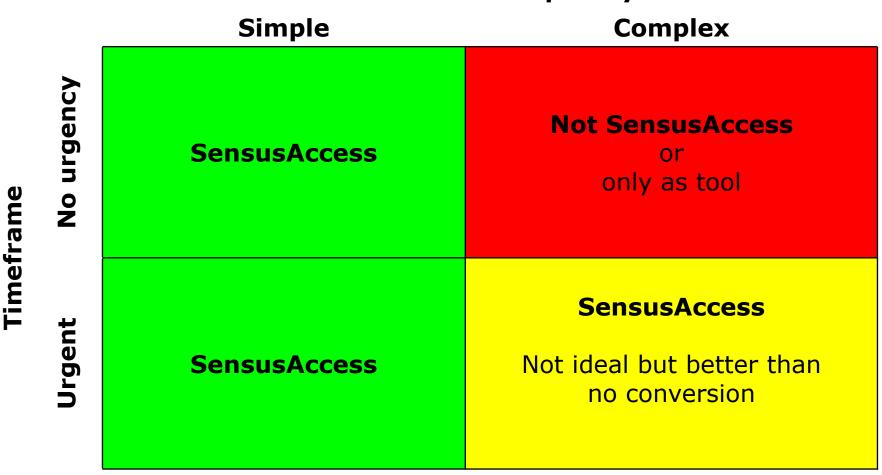
- Users with special needs
  - Blind, partially sighted, reading impaired, learning disorders, ...
- At-risk students
- Mainstream students, faculty
  - Poor language skills, different learning styles, foreign language skills, ...
- Others
  - Alternate media professionals, faculty, professionals, administrators

# What's inside

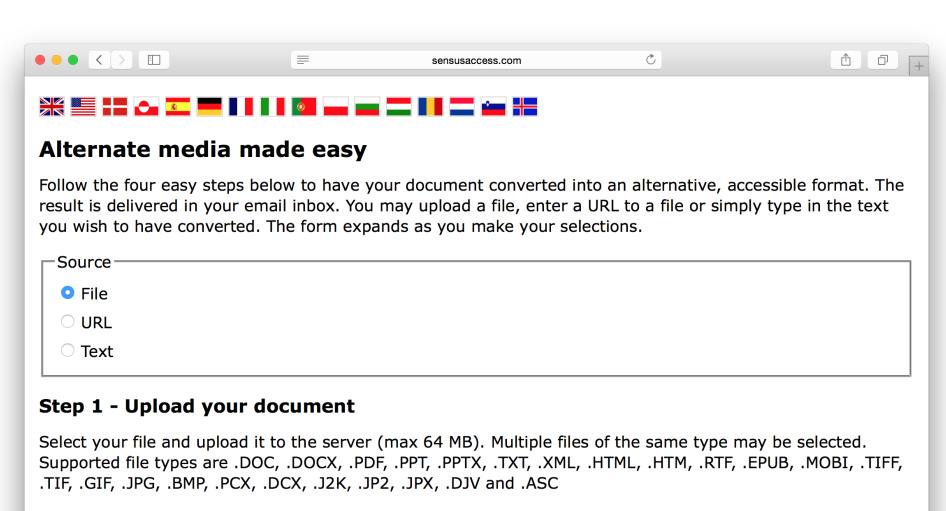


# Sensus Access position

**Document complexity** 



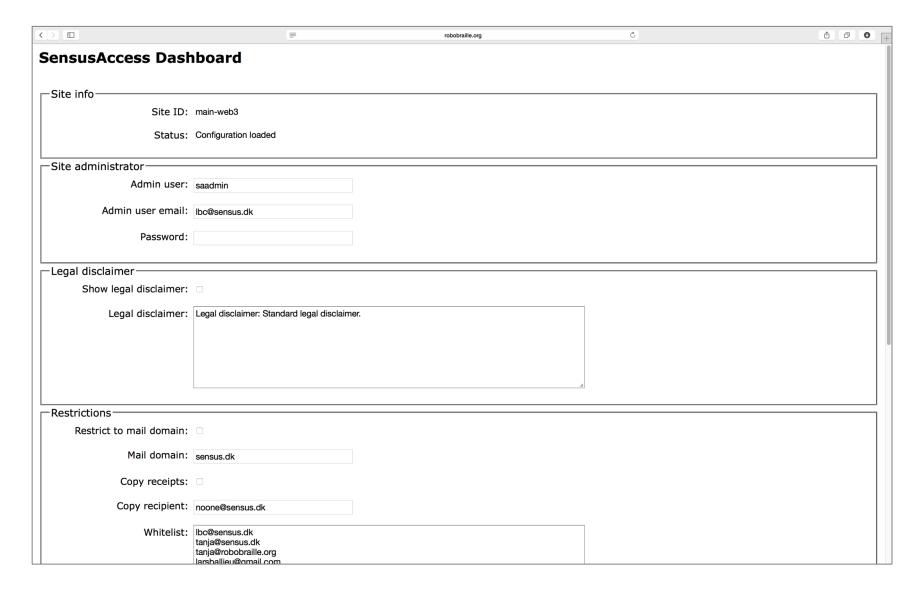
Estimate: Some 50-60% of all document can be handled by SensusAccess Source: Jayme Johnson, High Tech Center Training Unit, California Community Colleges



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## SensusAccess Dashboard



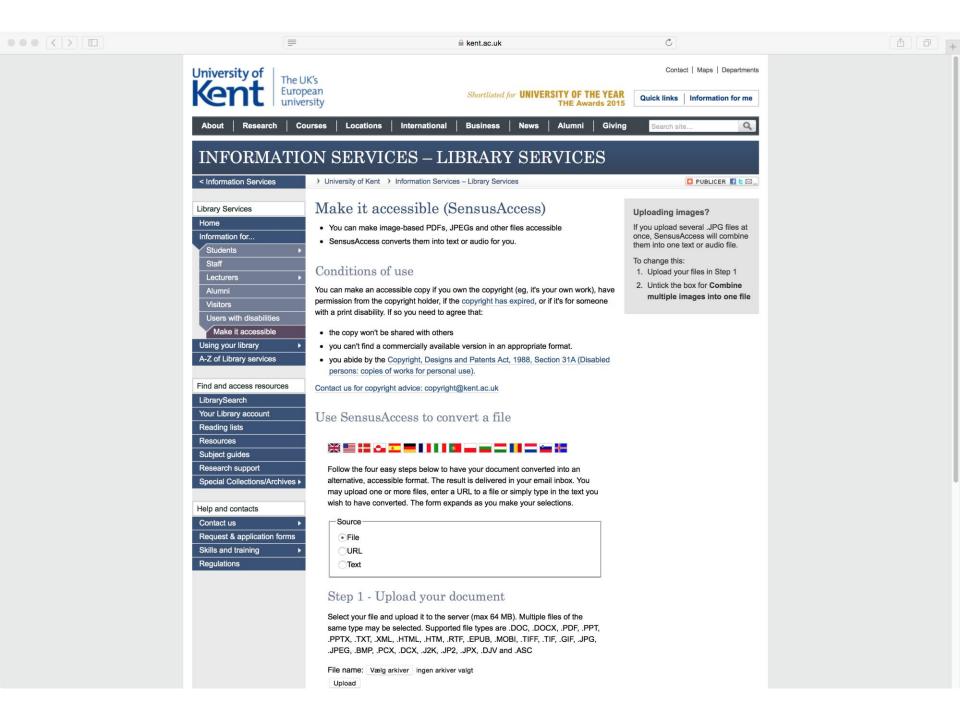


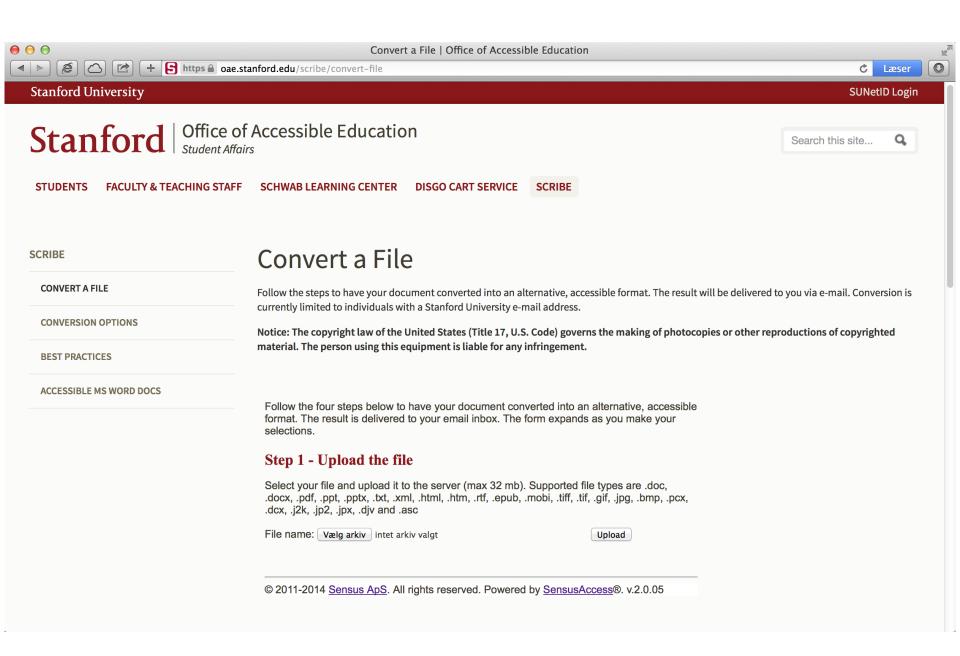
#### **Welcome to SensusAccess**



SensusAccess is a self-service, alternate media solution for educational institutions. SensusAccess allows students, faculty, staff and alumni to automatically convert documents into a range of alternate media including audio books (MP3 and DAISY), e-books (EPUB, EPUB3 and Mobi) and digital Braille. The service can also be used to convert inaccessible documents such as image-only PDF files, JPG pictures and Microsoft PowerPoint presentations into more accessible and less tricky formats. We call that Inclusion Technology.

Select Convert a file to try out the service on your own documents.









Academics

Alumni

McMaster

Accessibility @ McMaster > SensusAccess > Convert a file

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Library

Research

**Current Students** 

**Future Students** 

#### McMaster Accessibility Council Alternate media made easy (MAC) Accommodation Follow the four easy steps below to have your document converted into an alternative, accessible format. The result is delivered in your email inbox. You may upload one or more files, enter a URL to a file or simply type in Teaching Accessibly the text you wish to have converted. The form expands as you make your selections. Creating Accessible Websites and Media Source Accessibility in the File Libraries OURL Maps & Transportation Closures, Construction and Step 1 - Upload your document Service Disruption Select your file and upload it to the server (max 64 MB). Multiple files of the same type may be selected. Events Supported file types are .DOC, .DOCX, .PDF, .PPT, .PPTX, .TXT, .XML, .HTML, .HTM, .RTF, .EPUB, .MOBI, .TIFF, Concerns & Feedback .TIF, .GIF, .JPG, .JPEG, .BMP, .PCX, .DCX, .J2K, .JP2, .JPX, .DJV and .ASC Accessibility Contacts & Groups File name: Vælg arkiver ingen arkiver valgt Upload About Us Glossary of Terms FAQ © 2016 Sensus ApS. All rights reserved. Powered by RoboBraille®. 4.0.12 SensusAccess Convert a file Conversion Options **Best Practices** Captioning

## Also an email service ...

### **Audio**

american@ britspeech@ deutsch@ parlefrancais@ daisy@ daisymath@

### Braille

banagrade1@ banagrade2@ sixdot@ kurzschrift@

### E-books

epub@ epub3@ mobi@

### Conversion

convert@sensusaccess.com

## Available on most platforms

Efficient for integration

# SensusLibrary

- Digital library for alternate media
- Public and protected material
- Operated in accordance with national copyright legislation
- Integrated with library meta databases through Z39.50
- Tightly integrated with SensusAccess
- Try at <a href="www.sensuslibrary.com">www.sensuslibrary.com</a>
- In-house repository?
- Shared repository?

# SensusAccess on your own site

- Hosted solution
- Flat annual subscription fee

Size of academic institution	Annual fee
More than 20,000 students	AUS\$ 6,500
15,000 - 19,999 students	AUS\$ 5,850
10,000 - 14,999 students	AUS\$ 4,550
5,000 – 9,999 students	AUS\$ 3,250
2,000 – 4,999 students	AUS\$ 1,950
Less than 2,000 students	AUS\$ 1,300

- Prices based on standard conditions
- Additional services
  - workshops, scanning and editing, digital library

# **Usage Statistics**

#### **Service Usage Report for University of**

#### **Summary**

Reporting period:	2015-05-08 to 2015-08-05 (90 days)
Service site:	
Primary mail domain:	
Report generated on:	2015-08-06 12:01:57
Total requests in period:	525
Total size of requests:	834,886,959 bytes
Average size of requests:	1,590,261 bytes

#### **Usage by Function**

Function	Requests	Percentage
MP3	298	56.8%
Braille	7	1.3%
Accessibility conversions	194	37.0%
Ebook	18	3.4%
Daisy	8	1.5%

#### **Usage by Language**

Language	Requests	Percentage
British and generic English	234	44.6%
American English	291	55.4%

#### **Submitted Document Types**

Source format	Requests	Percentage
Image-type documents	28	5.3%
PDF documents	232	44.2%
Microsoft PowerPoint documents	5	1.0%
Microsoft Word documents	249	47.4%
Other documents	11	2.1%
Total	525	100.0%

#### **Accessibility Conversions, Submitted Document Types**

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Source format	Requests	Percentage
Image-type documents	27	13.9%
PDF documents	83	42.8%
Microsoft PowerPoint documents	5	2.6%
Microsoft Word documents	79	40.7%
Total	194	100.0%

#### **Accessibility Conversions, Requested Formats**

Target format	Requests	Percentage
Microsoft Word	45	23.2%
RTF	6	3.1%
Tagged PDF	142	73.2%
HTML	1	0.5%
Total	194	100.0%

# What we will provide

- Customised web form
- Dashboard
- Resources
  - Instructional videos
  - Guidelines and best practices
  - Dissemination material
- Training
- Access to SensusAccess community
- Back-end support

# What you will need to do

- Complete setup questionnaire
- Review and sign service agreement
- Allocate a page on web site
- Setup service:
  - Embed form on web page(s)
  - Add disclaimer and resources
  - Add support contact details
- Schedule training
- Launch and promote service

# **Training Courses and Workshops**

- SensusAccess overview (complementary)
- SensusAccess intro workshop
- SensusAccess for material producers
- Creating accessible documents
- Creating e-books with SensusAccess
- Creating structured audio books with SensusAccess
- Creating Braille with SensusAccess
- Creating math material with SensusAccess

## Reference info

- www.sensusaccess.com
- www.sensuslibrary.com
- Readium (free)
  - E-book reader for Windows, Mac
  - Supports media overlay
- Menestrello (free)
  - E-book reader for iOS/Android
  - Support media overlay
- VI Reader (free)
  - E-book reader for low vision, dyslexia
  - iOS, Android

# **Questions**; comments



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