Accessibility of Canadian citizenship test

In the fall, CDPA was one of 29 stakeholders asked to contribute to a consultation process aimed at enhancing the accessibility of the Canadian citizenship test. Immigration, Refugee & Citizenship Canada identified several key populations for whom the test could present a barrier to citizenship – including people with disabilities, lower language proficiency, lower educational attainment, and limited experience with formal testing. The citizenship test seeks to balance a basic knowledge requirement about Canada with language and logistics that create equitable access for all. A preliminary report revealed that consultants recommended

Universal Design for Learning principles, along with a multi-modal testing approach, and an expanded catalogue of accommodations and supports.