

Why inclusion in the workplace matters, featuring disability activist Maddy Ruvolo

Maddy Ruvolo is a graduate of UCLA's master's program in Transportation Policy and Planning and an advocate for disability rights. In this video interview, she addresses the value of workplace accommodations.

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[positive piano music]

MADDY RUVOLO: My name is Maddy Ruvolo. I am a young white woman with brown curly hair, wearing a bright-green shirt.

I have a chronic illness. My access needs change. What I need in order to be able to participate changes. And so what's been really important for me, especially in the workplace, is having bosses who understand that some days I'm going to need to work from home or that I may need to take more sick days than other people typically do. Or that I have regular doctor's appointments that I need to go to. Giving me these accommodations means that I can participate in a way that I might not be able to otherwise.

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