

Sharing Knowledge!

Deafblind educator highlights as a writer and a lecturer.

As a writer, educator or as a lecturer, Alex Garcia stands out in his working area. With a huge knowledge of the inclusion issues- he is the author of three books-, Alex is deafblind, he has hydrocephalus and osteogenesis imperfecta, a rare disease commonly known as " Brittle bones".

He has university degrees and he works as a specialist in Special Education.

"I always say that my place of work is the world. I've already lectured in many parts of the world. I wrote three books, one of them is on the internet and the other two are being sold".

I am a columnist, a magazine writer and a consultant of some websites which talk about the world of persons with disabilities in Brazil and Latin America", he explains. Alex also works as a lecturer in national and international congresses, besides being an international leader for the employment of persons with disabilities, by MIUSA, from the USA.

To fulfill a very busy schedule, Alex says it requires a lot of planning.

"If I have to travel to be in a lecture, for example, I have to plan the journey. I have to know if I will be travelling alone or with a person to help and guide me. In this case, I need support in the place of the lecture. I must give some guidelines to this person who is supporting me. This is a routine", he says.

About possible difficulties he might face in order to perform his daily tasks, Alex ensures that since he was very young he has learnt he would have to overcome many barriers to stand out. "I also learnt that I had to break with the presupposition, that is, the early assumption about the other and also with the shame.

At first, it was more complex because the social controlling tools are powerful inhibitors to the construction of a politicized mind and, therefore, of the property. Overcoming this step, everything becomes easier.

To perform his tasks, Alex has some communicability adaptations.

"Communication has two routes: the receptive and the expressive. In general, is the receptive one that I need more support and adaptations that I give the guidelines", finishes Alex.

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