



CENTRAL
MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

INFORMATION ARCHITECTURE PLANNING AND GATHER CONTENT

» Welcome! We are glad
you are with us today!



INTRODUCTIONS

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TRAINING AGENDA



- » Information Architecture (IA)
- » Gather Content
- » Workflow Process
- » Wrap Up

UPCOMING SESSIONS

» August 4, 2020

First Draft Check-In

**10-11 a.m.
or 3-4 p.m.**

This session is a milestone check-in with Q&A and a Ten Tips for Success.

» August 11, 2020

Sitefinity Publishing

**9 a.m.-12 p.m.
or 1-4 p.m.**

This session is an introduction to the new Content Management System (CMS) and offers content creation guidance.


» October 2020 to April 2021

Webinars

Morning and Afternoon Sessions

There will be ongoing live webinars to improve overall campus understanding of digital strategy to advance our brand and in turn improve overall admission and retention.





INFORMATION ARCHITECTURE (IA)



WHAT'S IA?

» IA is the organizational strategy for the information on the site.

» How you sort and group the content on your site.

Card sorting is one way to think of how your visitors would sort and group content.



WHY IA IS IMPORTANT

Building blocks

IA considers what topics or pages should be grouped together.

Top-level outline of the information that:

- we have
- needs to be created
- help determine what should be internal only

Information for external audiences

Organize and group information that our external audiences seek, in our case prospective students.

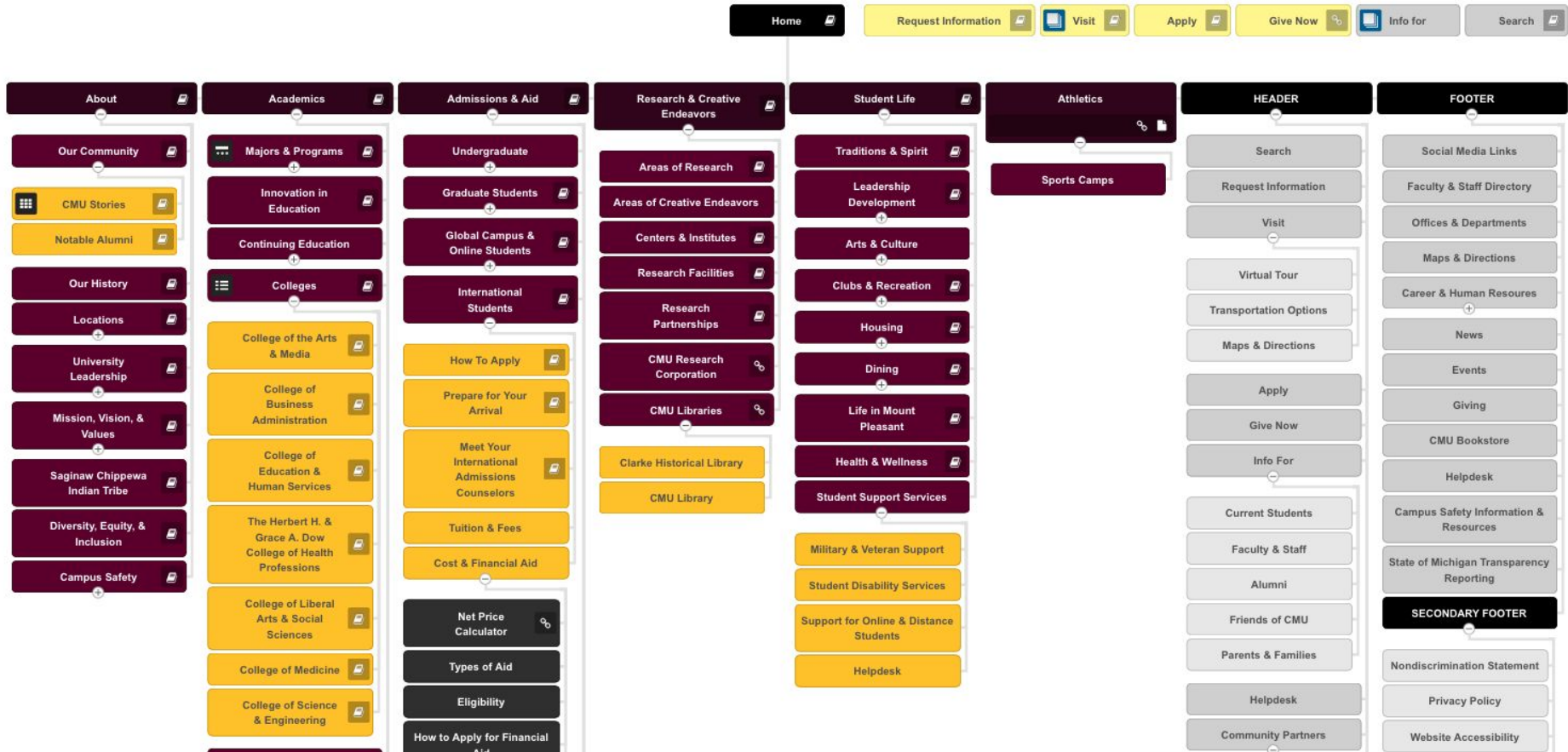
Easy to engage with

How the information is organized into a navigation system that is easy to engage with by our audiences.

CMU's 5.0 Information Architecture



CMU EXAMPLE



CBA EXAMPLE

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS
ADMINISTRATION



DEPARTMENT EXAMPLE

EXAMPLE University Recreation DEPARTMENT IA



WHAT TO EXPECT NEXT

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I.A. Review Session

🕒 15 min

📍 Teams - We'll call you!

Select a 15 minute time slot to discuss the pages in your I.A. and any open questions on writing for the new site. If other contacts within your college or department are working with you on the new site please include them on this invite so we can review the I.A. all together and collaborate most efficiently.

Select a Date & Time

July 2020

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Q&A



BREAK





GATHER CONTENT



WHAT IS GATHER CONTENT?




- » Our platform to “house” all of our content in one location.
- » Easy and simple functionality.
- » Ability to collaborate with others on a page, provide comments, see revision history and page status.

A CLOSER LOOK AT GATHER CONTENT

College of Hula Hoops ▾ | Overview Content Templates Workflow Calendar Migrate Settings 🔍 PW ▾










College of Hula Hoops


Project status



- Not populated yet (2)
- On Hold - Awaiting Program Page Direction (0)
- mStoner Draft 1 (0)
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- CMU Colleges & Departments Review 1 (0)
- CMU Draft 2 (0)
- mStoner Writer Draft 2 (0)
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- CMU Digital Team QA & Sign Off (2)
- CMU Colleges & Departments Review 2 (3)
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- Ready to Migrate (3)
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- Published (0)

Recent activity

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UNIVERSAL TEMPLATE FOR DEPARTMENTS

Universal Example - Dean's Welcome
College of Hula Hoops • Template: Universal

CMU Draft 1
No due date set

Paragraph

Title
Dean's Welcome

The title of the page. This can be the name of a department, service unit, clinic, etc. Remember to use keywords here.

Body Content
33/250 Words

Here is an example of body content. This is a second sentence in a paragraph, refer to the [homepage for more information](#). Learn more about our [Mission and Values](#). See our [profiles here](#).

Think about the answers to the questions your audience will be asking. Remember to use keywords in the copy.

Title Tag, Metadata
20/160 Characters

There's a typo here.

Examples:
Canine Agility | College of Hula Hoops

Meta Description
27/160 Characters

AKC approved programming...

Remember to use keywords here.

Attachment(s)

Select files to upload or drag and drop here

You can include images or PDFs here.

Old URL
welcome/deans-welcome



REVIEW CONTENT

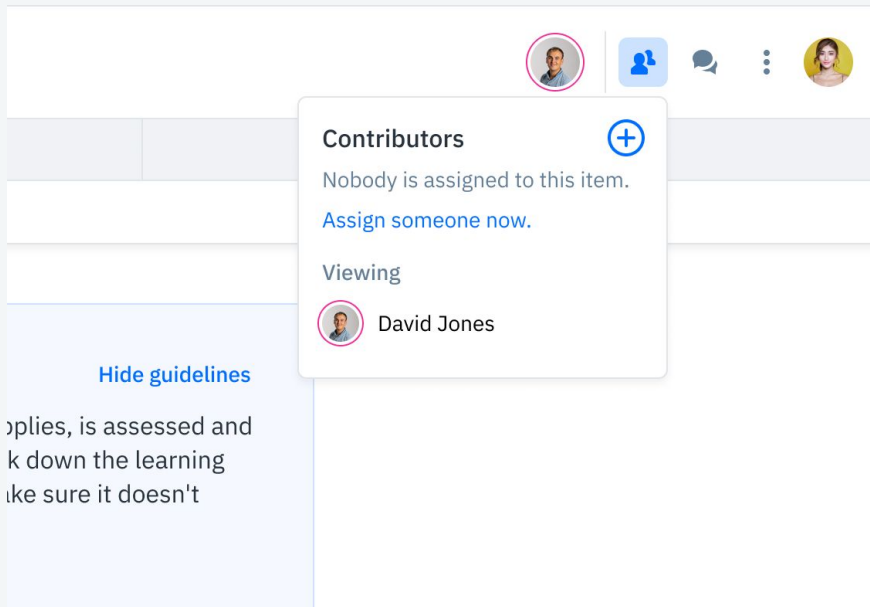
- » Collaborate, contribute, and discuss content on the page with the **Comments** feature on the toolbar or simply highlight the text and click the comment icon to add your thoughts.



- » Comments appear in the sidebar, next to the highlighted text. The author of the comment will be shown. To reply to a comment, begin typing in the reply text box.
- » Tag people and notify them of comments or revisions by typing @emailaddress in the reply text box. (i.e. @wegen1pa@cmich.edu)



ADDING CONTRIBUTORS

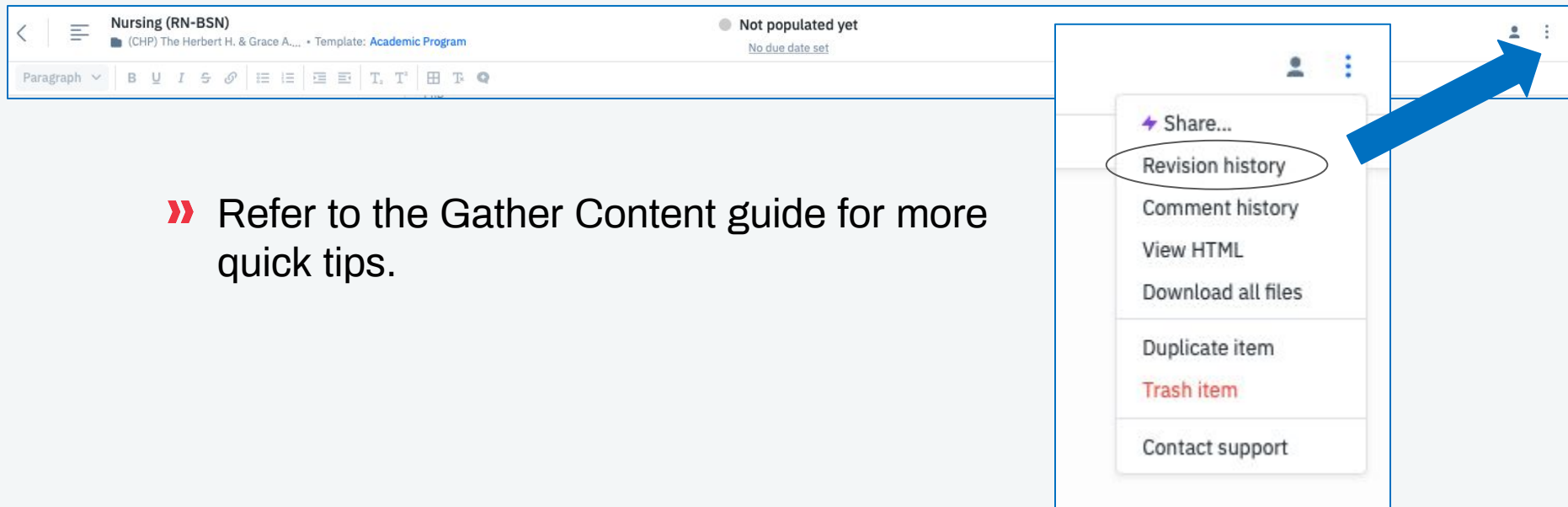


- » You will be able to see your contributors(s), by page, in the top right hand corner once they are in the system. To add contributors to the system, please email Lisa Wendland at wendl1l@cmich.edu with the name, email, and department of the contributor(s).

REVISIONS AND COMMENT HISTORY

- » Track revisions and comment history, see what has been resolved and what is unresolved. Click the three vertical dots at the top right of the page you are working on to see the history menu.

- » Refer to the Gather Content guide for more quick tips.



CONTENT WORKFLOW

(1) Content assigned in Gather Content	(2) Writer gathers assets	(3) Writer completes Draft 1 & QA 1	(4) Alternate Strategist/ DDS completes QA 2	(5) Brand completes QA 3
				(6) Strategist routes for Grammar & Spelling QA 4
(11) Brand completes QA 2	(10) Writer adjusts creating draft 2 and completes QA 1	(9) Strategist reviews edits and makes suggestions	(8) Stakeholder sends edits	(7) Strategist sends back to Stakeholder for review
(12) Alternate Strategist completes QA 3				
(13) Strategist routes for Grammar & Spelling QA 4	(14) Digital Team QA & Sign Off	(15) Strategist sends to Stakeholder for review	(16) Stakeholder gives final sign off	(17) Digital Team assigns upload [Ready to Migrate]



PAGE STATUS: ALL STATUSES



College of Hula Hoops ▾

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Central Michigan

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Our Community

CMU Stories

Locations

University Leadership

Mission, Vision, & Values

Campus Safety

Academics

Majors & Programs (Program P...

(CAM) College of the Arts & I

My assignments

+ Add Filter

Create new item

Name	Template	Due date	Updated	Assignees	Folder	
● Campus Safety	Universal	No due date	21 days ago	KW PW	Campus Safety	1
● Housing	Universal	No due date	a month ago	PW	Housing	2
● Leadership Development	Universal	No due date	a month ago	PW	Leadership Devel	2
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● Entrepreneurship (Major, Minor)	Academic Pr...	No due date	a month ago	SL PW AW	(CBA) College of	2
● Information Systems (Major, Minor)	Academic Pr...	No due date	a month ago	SL PW AW	(CBA) College of	4
● Health & Wellness	Universal	No due date	a month ago	PW	Student Life	2
● Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe	Universal	No due date	a month ago	PW	About	6
● Mission, Vision, & Values	Universal	No due date	a month ago	PW	Mission, Vision, &	1



CHANGING PAGE STATUS

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion CMU Draft 1
About • Template: [Universal](#)
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- CMU Draft 2
Set due date



CHANGING PAGE STATUS

- » When your draft is complete and ready to be reviewed by the Digital Strategist, change the page status by clicking on the edit pencil icon next to the page. At the bottom of the screen, a menu will pop-up:  Select the icon .

- » Select the status: Alternate Strategist/DDS Review 1 (yellow dot).

Click **Confirm**

The page status will change in the content list. The dot color represents where in the workflow the page resides.

The digital strategists will see the page status in Gather Content.

TIPS AND REMINDERS

- Gather Content's editor is very similar to Microsoft Word. If you can write in Word, you can write in Gather Content.
- Use the back button on Gather Content, not on your browser. It's much easier to get back to your last page in GC that way.
- Rome wasn't built in a day, this is a process and it will take time to develop the content, but you're not in this alone!
- We're here to help:
 - Lisa wendl1l@cmich.edu
 - Kelsey whing1ka@cmich.edu
 - Pam wegen1pa@cmich.edu
 - Melissa camer1ma@cmich.edu



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WHAT TO DO BEFORE IA REVIEW



- » Note any Centers or special units that should be included.
- » Note the status of your Mission, Vision, and Strategic Plan
- » Create a list of all relevant forms on your site. Indicate what is an external form and internal form.



THANK YOU!

Please complete the post-training survey that will be emailed to you soon.

Find resources at: <https://blogs.cmich.edu/webproject/category/training/>





APPENDIX

Additional Tips



ADDING CONTENT

Title

Start writing here...

Body Content

Start writing here...

Title Tag, Metadata

Start writing here...

Meta Description

Start writing here...

Attachment(s)

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Select files to upload or drag
and drop here



Start typing in any
grey text field to add
content.



To add images either
drag and drop or
upload.

ADDING CONTENT

Paragraph ▾

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transfers, etc.

Why This Program & What You'll
Learn

177/250 Words

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Why Study Marketing: P at CMU?

More people earn over \$100,000 annually in
profession. As a student in our Marketing: P
you'll learn real-world techniques through c
International, one of the top 10 sales trainin

» The maximum length
of characters are
shown for each field.

» "Saving" will appear
to show you that it has
been autosaved.

SAVING



GOOD TO KNOW

» A spell checker tool doesn't exist in Gather Content editor.

Program Highlights

As a student in this program, you'll join the ranks of thousands of CMU-educated teachers.

» The word "student" is misspelled and underlined in red.

- Every year, CMU confers master's degrees in teaching on more than 700 students—more than anyplace else in the state.
- Synthesize your experience with a capstone project before graduation.
- CMU's Professional Educator Unit is accredited by the Council for Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP).