

WEB CONTENT CHECKLIST FOR ACADEMIC DEPARTMENTS & PROGRAMS

- Evaluate your current website
 - Is the information accurate and up to date? How frequently is it changed or updated?
 - Does your website represent the Hope brand? (see hope.edu/brand)
 - Who generates, edits and/or maintains content for your website? Does your current arrangement work well for your department?

- Begin to think about content for your new department website
 - What are the three or four key things current and prospective students need to know about your field of study? About your department?
 - What kinds of programs or opportunities are available to students within the department (e.g., study abroad, internships, career opportunities)? What kind of experience can a student in your department expect?
 - What specific actions do you want prospective and/or current students to take while on the site (e.g., request more information, explore research opportunities)?
 - Is there anything unique about your classrooms, facilities or equipment?
 - What compelling stories have come out of your department? Which students, alumni, faculty or staff members stand out?

- Collect a handful of facts or stats about the department
 - What numerical values represent your department, faculty, staff or alumni? Institutional Research (hope.edu/admin/ir) can be an excellent resource. Some ideas to get you started:
 - Number of students
 - Student–faculty ratio
 - Average class size
 - Grad school acceptance and/or job placement and satisfaction rates
 - Scholarship, research funding or other grant amounts

- Identify opportunities for new photography
 - Can any upcoming events or activities be captured in dynamic, exciting photographs?
 - How can you best capture the experience of students in your office or program? How do they engage with your department or fellow students outside of the classroom?

- Gather information for your new profile page into one place; ask others in your department to do the same
 - What is your educational and/or professional experience?
 - What are your areas of expertise?
 - Have you received any notable honors, grants, awards or other recognition?
 - If you've published work, do you have all of the details at hand (including URLs, if possible)?

- Attend a Writing for the Website workshop
 - Thursday, March 19, 11 a.m.
 - Tuesday, March 24, 10 a.m.
 - Wednesday, March 25, 3 p.m.

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