## **Modifying the Generic Web Site Templates**

We have provided a 5-page generic web site for your use in connecting to the CONTENTdm database if you do not have your own site established. The 5 pages include a front (index) page and 2 subpages (image rights, about this project). You may add more subpages or change the existing ones if you desire. The remaining 2 pages are for query results and viewing. They reside on the Libraries' server. Libraries' staff will provide only limited modifications to them.

The 3 main pages (index, about this project, image rights) should be placed into a folder called "imls" on your server. Inside this folder you need to create a subfolder and label it "images". Place the button image and the CONTENTdm logo inside this folder. Any other images you add to the pages, such as your logo, should be placed in this folder as well.

The 3 main pages have comments embedded in the html code to guide you in changing colors and text. You should make backup copies of the original template pages before you begin editing them.

Below, you will find a brief overview of the editable regions:

- 1. Give your page a title. The text you add here will be displayed in the top left portion of the user's browser window.
- 2. Insert your organization logo or name here. If you have a graphic logo saved as either a jpg or gif you may add it here along with a link to your organization's website.
- 3. Add a keyword search for your collection here. If you want to retain the template formatting just replace the name of the collection in the following line:

<input type="hidden" name="CISOROOT1" value=/imlsmohai">

Replace "imlsmohai" with your collection name which will be provided by the CONTENTdm Administrator.

You will also need to replace the two template file names with the names of those provided to you by the Libraries' staff.

<input type="hidden" name="CISORESTMP" value=/imls/templates/yourfile"> <input type="hidden" name="CISOVIEWTMP" value=/imls/templates/yourfile">

4. Insert your own Predefined search query using a pull-down list box. Refer to the Building Queries document for help. Remember to add the full URL to the form action tag so the query will access your collection on the Libraries' server.

<form method="GET" action="http://content-dev.lib.washington.edu/cgi-bin/pquery.exe>

Note: You will need to change this to

http://content.lib.washington/cgi-bin/pquery.exe

when your site goes live. The content-dev URL is for testing.

After pasting the query code into your html document you can add text above the pull-down box. We used "Predefined Search" on line 57 of our example.

Type the following after the <form method...> line

Predefined Search <br />

Add the closing tag in a line above the closing form tag. (see lines 70 and 71 in example)

 </form>

To use the button image change the query-builder generated code to the following:

<input type="image" src="images/button\_go.gif border="0">

If you want to use your own button, place it in the images subfolder and link to it from this line of code.







- 5. Change the database name in the Advanced Search link to the name of your collection (This is the same name used in your queries.)
- 6. You can change the color of the top strip here. Replace "660066" with your selected hexadecimal color. You can convert color choices to hexadecimal through a software program such as Photoshop or you can research hexadecimal conversions at sites such as the following:

http://www.colorschemer.com/online.html

http://www.lynda.com/hexh.html

http://www.markup.co.nz/palettizer/palettizer.htm

- 7. You may change links to subpages, delete the current links or add additional ones here.
- 8. Replace the color of the main body background here with another hexadecimal color. if you desire
- 9. Add your main text to this section. Each paragraph needs to be formatted by bracketing it with the following tags:

Your text

- 10. This is where you change the color of the bottom strip to match the top one.
- 11. Add your contact information to this line. We used an email address in our example.
- 12. Change the copyright information to your organization.

The other 2 template pages are similar. Follow the guidelines in the page code for altering them the same way the index page is altered.









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