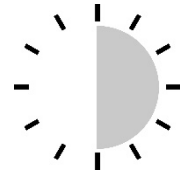


Section A: Project Survey

Module A4: What are the project's sustainability priorities?

Overview

Your project's significant properties are those characteristics that are critical to its intellectual and technical goals. In this activity, you'll begin by generating lists of as many facets of your project's content, context, and structure as you can, and then continue by refining those lists so that they contain only the most essential elements.



30-45 min

Activity

Break into groups of two and spend 10 minutes brainstorming answers to the questions listed below which help you identify features of your project's content, context, and structure. If you are running the Roadmap solo, you can, of course, do this individually.

- What is your project's narrative, argument, or mission? Where and how do your intellectual goals unfold?
- What information is your project intended to convey? How does it convey it?
- How do you define your project's institutional context? What are its contours and features?
- What are the structural components of your project?
- What about your project's chosen technologies and/or digital interactivity is most salient to you? What forms does it take?

Significant Properties

Then, reconvene as a group (if appropriate) to discuss your answers for a few minutes before focusing on these final questions, which help you identify your project's significant properties, the roles they serve on your project, and the designated communities they serve.

- Of all the things you have listed so far in this exercise, what are the features without which your project simply would not be *your* project?
- Which seem utterly essential to your overall intellectual and technological goals?
- And, recalling your work in [Module A3](#), which of these characteristics seem most essential to your designated communities?

Also be sure to retain a list of those properties that you proactively deem to be non-essential—this is also valuable information.

Project Name:

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Significant Property	Function on the Project	Designated Communities Served