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In the previous section you followed along while Jack, the Content Manager creating our example website, customized the layout of his Lab's site. Now, he will add the content. Jack has already planned out the content which you can view in the KB Article Getting Started Guide – Site Components. Find it at this web address - http://kb.mit.edu/confluence/x/jRdBCQ.

Modifying Existing Content

Your Drupal Cloud website comes with areas containing placeholder content on the **Home** page, the **About** page, and the **Contact** page. To modify this content, log into your website and click the **Edit** tab in the main content area. The image below shows this tab on the Home page.

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Learn how to add content to the left and right columns, add blog and news items, and customize the look and feel of your site, at DrupalCloud help pages . Be sure to see the article Getting Started with Your New Site .

Adding Graphics

Jack is going to use a large image as the only content for the home page. Adding images is a process with several steps which includes first uploading your graphic image to your website and then selecting it for insertion. There are many clicks and pop-up windows to go through. The first step is to click the **Edit** tab to go into edit mode. Below are the steps you must take to insert an image file.

To get started, you should make sure that you are using the Full HTML text format. Then, place your cursor where you want to add your graphic, and click the **Add Image** icon. If you do not see this icon, you are probably using the Filtered HTML or Plain Text format. The image shows you where you can select the Full HTML text format.

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Note: It is best to resize and prepare your image completely outside of Drupal in your favorite image processing program. You can upload you first image to determine the size you need but be sure to size the image outside then upload the final version.

The Image Properties window will open. Click Browse Server to locate an image on your computer.

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Then click Upload.

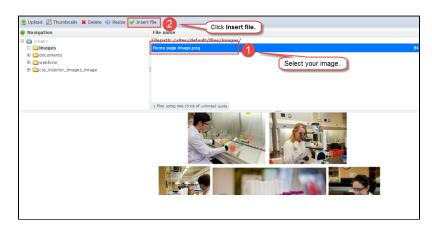
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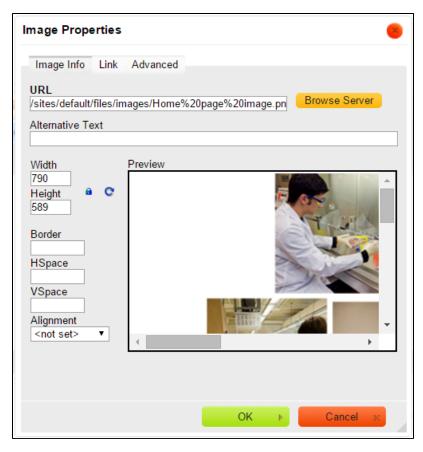
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After the upload it will be included in the list at the right. The graphics file is uploaded and ready to be inserted. Select the image name and click **Insert file**.



You're returned to the **Image Properties** screen where you can make adjustments before the graphic is inserted. Be sure to add Alternative text to your graphic to help those using screen readers when accessing your website. In this example Alt text like "Lab Homepage graphic" could be used.

Click OK and then Save.



This is how your graphic image will look.

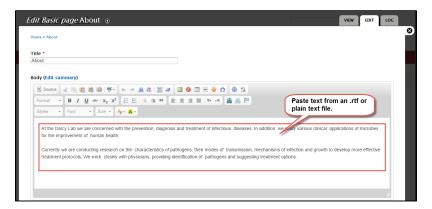


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Modifying the About page

Next Jack will modify the **About** page. While in Edit mode, he copies the text for the About page from the .rtf file or plain text file and pastes it into the HTML editor. Then he clicks **Save**.

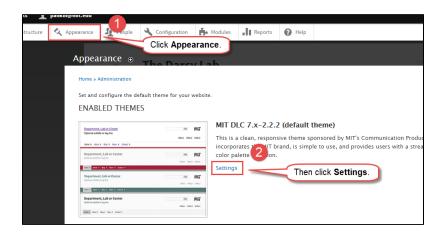
If you will be cutting and pasting your content from a Word document, it is recommended that you save your file in the Rich Text Format with a .rtf file extension. Otherwise, the text formatting from your document will be pasted into your website. You can also paste text into a plain text editor (Notepad or TextEdit) to strip away any formatting before pasting. It is a best practice to style text using your theme's settings and avoid the Style, Font, Size and color settings on the format toolbar.



The text on the **About** page stretches to the right edge of the page. There is nothing in the sidebar region on the right to prevent that from happening.



You can avoid that situation by selecting Persistent sidebars in the Appearance settings screen for the DLC theme.

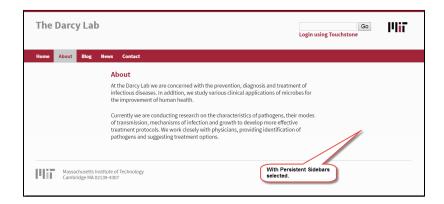




On the DLC theme Appearance page, scroll to the Toggle Display area and choose Persistent Sidebars.

Your page will hold a blank area for sidebars on the left and right even if there is no content.

TOGGLE DISPLAY
Enable or disable the display of certain page elements.
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✓ Site name
✓ Site slogan
✓ User pictures in posts
☑ User pictures in comments
☑ User verification status in comments
✓ Shortcut icon
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✓ Secondary menu
✓ Persistent Sidebars



Adding Pages

Jack needs two new pages for the website. He wants a page to list events and one to list research interests for the Lab faculty. He will need to add links to them on the site's main menu.

To do this, he starts at the Admin Menu and clicks on **Content**, and then clicks on the link labeled + Add content. The image below highlights these steps.

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On the Add Content screen, he clicks on Basic Page as shown here.



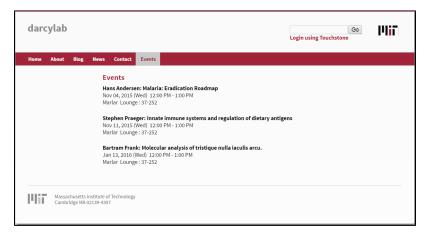
On the *Create Basic page* screen, Jack enters "Events" for the Title. He will enter the content in a moment but first he clicks the option **Provide a menu link** for the page and then clicks the **Save** button. The next image highlights these steps.

Provide a menu link Check the box to Provide a menu link. The link title will
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There is now a link to the new Events page on the main menu. The image shows the result of adding this page.

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Jack adds content to the Events page from a previously created text file.



Using Tables to Position Content

For the content of the **Research** page, Jack would like to have images of faculty members with a research summary for each person. Tables are a simple means for accomplishing this design. Jack begins just as he did when he created the Events page, by creating a new Basic page.

To add a table Jack checks to make sure he has selected the Full HTML text format. Then he clicks the table icon in the toolbar. There are many options for Table Properties. Jack adds 5 rows with 2 columns per row. He also increases the width to 600 pixels and changes the border width to 0, which eliminates the border completely. Then he clicks OK.

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Jack adds his images into each the table cells on the left and the text content on the right in the manner described earlier.

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Before saving, Jack remembers to click the box to **Provide a menu link** so that Drupal will automatically create the menu link to the **Research** page.

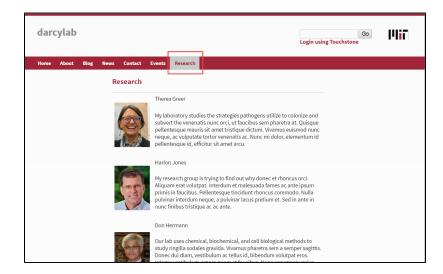
When Jack saves and views the page, he notices that the images are not displayed in the proper width. He goes back into the edit mode for the Research page. He right-clicks, or Command-clicks on any of the table cells with an image. A pop-up menu appears. He clicks **Cell**, then **Cell Properties**.

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In the Cell Properties box Jack sets the cell width to 100 pixels – the appropriate width for the size of his headshot images. He only needs to do this for one table cell to change the width of the entire column.

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After saving he sees that his images fit nicely within the table.



Adding News Items

News items are useful for summarizing and linking to actual articles on the internet. Adding a news item is very similar to adding a page. From the Admin menu click on **Content**, then + Add content. Select **News** for the type.

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Þ	Basic page Use <i>basic pages</i> for your static content, such as an 'About us' page.
Þ	Biblio Use Biblio for scholarly content, such as Journal papers and books.
Þ	Blog Create a blog entry!
Þ	Feed Subscribe to RSS or Atom feeds. Creates nodes of the content type "Feed item" from feed content.
Þ	Feed item This content type is being used for automatically aggregated content from feeds.
Þ	News Create or reference relevant news stories here.

Jack adds a Title, sets a date, adds a URL to the original news article online and adds a text description. He then clicks **Save**. Jack adds several more news articles.

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Remember, News entries can be accessed from the Main menu or the blocks in the Sidebar second region on the right.



The News page looks like this.



And an individual news item looks like this. Note the link to the original article.

Home	About	Research	News Events
			Crocetinic Acid In Saffron May Inhibit The Pancreatic Cancer Cell Growth
			November 2, 2015 For several years now, researchers in the University of Kansas Medical Center's Department of Cancer Biology have been examining the effects of crocetin on pancreatic cancer, a deadly disease which responds poorly to current chemotherapy and radiation treatments. Crocetin is derived from saffron, a popular spice and food colorant and a key ingredient in many traditional Indian medicines.
			http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2015/11/151102143743.htm

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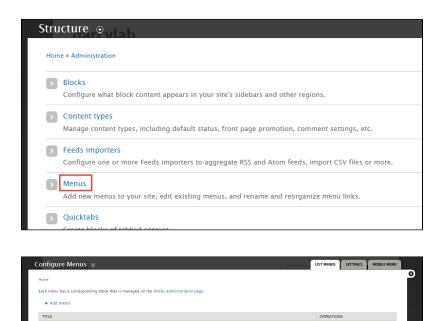
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Customizing the Main Menu

Since Jack will not be using the *Blogs* feature or *Contact* page, he needs to remove them from the main menu. He also wants to rearrange the link to the **Research** page. To do this, he will click **Structure**, then **Menus** from the *Admin menu*. Then he will click list links as highlighted in the image below. Doing so, he will be able to enable or disable links, delete them, and move them.



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+ About	reposition menu link.	disable menu link.		edit	delete
+ Blog				edit	reset
+ Research*				edit	delete
+ News	Click 'Save configuration' to		×	edit	reset
+ Contact	complete the action.			edit	delete
+ Events				edit	delete
Save configuration					

The image below shows the final results Jack gets after completing all of these steps. He's added all of the content and is now ready to put the finishing touches on the Lab's site by making some stylistic changes.



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