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Each section below takes you through increasingly complex steps to build, customize, and maintain your site. Be sure to check out the ***Getting Started Guides*** in the **Getting Started** section - a step by step walk through of creating an example site. Also note the ***Getting Drupal Help at MIT*** page - a list of all MIT Help resources and the ***External Drupal Help Resources*** page, in the **Getting Ready** section.

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Choosing Your Theme

One of your first tasks is to choose the base theme for your site. A theme is a starting design and different themes may have different functionality. All themes can be customized to give your site a unique look. The default theme is the MIT DLC theme. Another popular theme is the MIT Adaptive theme. Each theme is briefly described below.

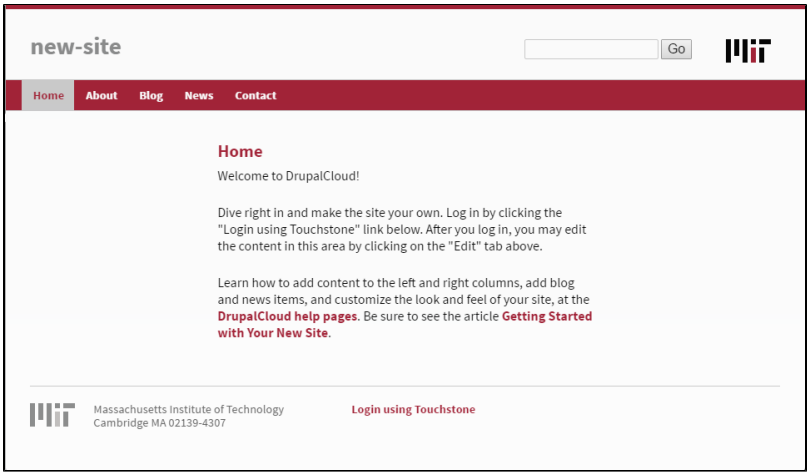
While it is simple to change from one theme to another, it is best to settle on your theme before making changes to customize your site's appearance and before adding content. To learn more about themes and how to change from the default to a different theme, see the article **Working with Your Site Theme** in the *Getting Started* section below. The articles in the *Customizing* section below explain how to make changes to your base theme.



Note
Not every feature will work with every theme.

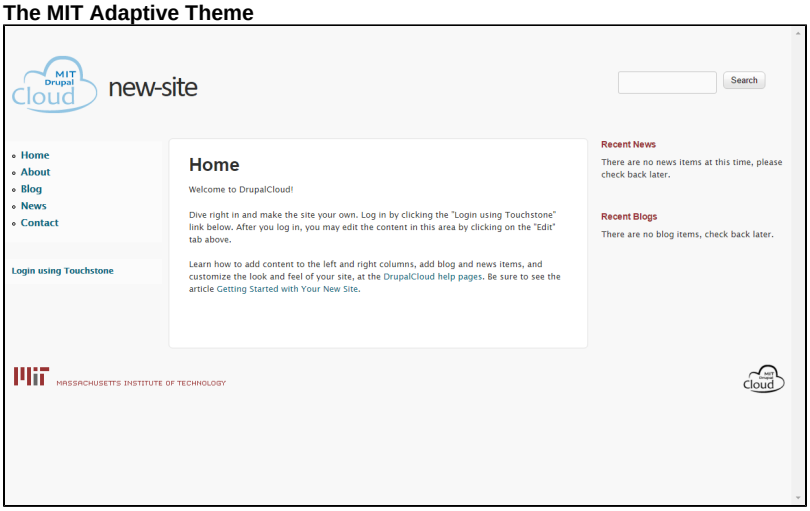
Below is a screen shot and a brief explanation of each theme. Also, each theme has a *Getting Started Guide* in the section *Getting Started with Your Drupal Cloud Site* below. The **Getting Started Guides** help you create a sample site which you can then customize for your own use.

The MIT DLC Theme



- the default theme
- official MIT branding
- good for a department site

The MIT Adaptive Theme



- must switch to this theme
- greater design flexibility
- good for a small group or personal site

Getting Started with Your Drupal Cloud Site

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Adding News or Blog Posts to Your Site
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Assigning Roles and Permissions
How Do I Create a Custom 404 Page?
Adding Google Analytics to Track Site Traffic
How can I get a CSAIL.mit.edu hostname?

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Using Cybersource to Accept Payments on Your Drupal Site
Creating a Touchstone-Protected Drupal Cloud Page

Have Questions or Still Need Help?

- Contact the IS&T Service Desk



Additional escalation information for Help Staff can be found here: [hd:Drupal Cloud Recon].