Mukurtu CMS Sites Research Activity
Digital Stewardship Curriculum

This activity is an opportunity to research and discuss other websites that use the Mukurtu CMS platform. This activity can be done alone, but works best with a partner or in a small group to share your thoughts and findings.

Reflection, Discussion, or Presentation
If working on your own, choose a few websites and reflect on each using the suggested questions below.

If working with others, assemble a group and assign one or two website(s) to each person. Each person can visit the site, explore, and share their impressions. We suggest sharing in a short five minute presentation, if your group members are comfortable. Doing short presentations like this can increase ease and confidence in speaking about Mukurtu CMS sites and features.

Site Research Questions
The following questions may be helpful to consider as you explore other sites.

- Who created the site? Who maintains the site?
- What is the intention of the site?
- Who are the main audiences of the site?
- What are some things you liked about the site?
- What are some things you might do differently on your own Mukurtu CMS site?
- Was it easy to navigate the site?
- How did the creators use images, color, and other simple design elements on their site?
- Can you identify the Communities used on the site?
- Can you identify any publicly visible Cultural Protocols used on the site?
- What Categories and Keywords are used on the site?
- What other interesting Mukurtu CMS features are used on the site?
- Did looking at this website inspire you for your own project? List some of the inspirations, questions, and ideas you came away with.

Site Research Options

These are a few examples of websites using Mukurtu CMS to choose from for this activity. Some of the examples are from https://mukurtu.org/showcase/.

Sites with Minimal Customization	Sites with Customized Content
These sites were put together "out of the box," or only making simple changes that do not require special training or skills. These sites used only Mukurtu Support.	These sites were completed with help obtained outside of the standard Mukurtu Support. For example, programming or graphic design expertise.
Huna Heritage Foundation Digital Archives (Xúna Kaawu, Hoonah community) http://archives.hunaheritage.org/	Wiwkwébthëgen (Pokégnek Bodéwadmik, Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians) https://www.wiwkwebthegen.com
Catawba Indian Nation Archives http://catawbaarchives.libraries.wsu.edu/	Voices of Amiskwaciy https://voicesofamiskwaciy.ca/
Passamaquoddy Peoples' digital archive https://passamaquoddypeople.com/	Gather project at the State Library of New South Wales https://gather.sl.nsw.gov.au/
Tribesourcing Southwest Film Project http://tribesourcingfilm.com/	Plateau Peoples' Web Portal https://plateauportal.libraries.wsu.edu/
Sípnuuk Digital Library, Archives and Museum (Karuk Tribe) https://sipnuuk.karuk.us/	The Sustainable Heritage Network (SHN) https://sustainableheritagenetwork.org/