

Research Website Fact Sheet

What's a research project website? A website tailored to the communication and reporting needs of a research project.

To see a prototype research website, go to <http://citt.cudenver.edu/websites/research/index.htm>
For a brief PowerPoint presentation about this concept: <http://cittdesign.com/research.htm> .

Who needs this type of website? Research award applicants who want to improve their chances for project funding, facilitate project completion, and enhance information dissemination.

Why bother? Grant applicants often omit a project website plan as part of their submission, which may affect their chances of securing the award. Award winners who omit a website plan either omit a website altogether or develop one that does not do justice to their project or to CU.

What's a research website contain? A research website site can contain any of these features:

◆ Project progress charts.	◆ Slide shows or photo galleries.
◆ Research reports.	◆ Staff bios and links.
◆ Research subject recruiting.	◆ Advisory board info.
◆ Project diary.	◆ RSS updates of research topics.
◆ Project planning "rooms."	◆ Project sponsor info & links.
◆ Guest speaker audiocasts.	◆ Training modules.
◆ Project reports	◆ Digital stories about project.
◆ Newsroom (project news)	◆ Site visitor surveys.
◆ Webcams.	◆ Blogs on your research topic.

What CITT will do for you. CITT will develop a prototype website for your award application, one that you can include in it. This site will include the name of your project and several front-page content items or images of your choice. The site will be an active site on the Internet, so award evaluators can reference it when they review your application.

What's it cost? There's no cost to develop the prototype for the application, but award applications should include at least \$7200 for site development, with an additional \$2400 for each year beyond the first project year, for site revisions.

Who is CITT? The Center for Innovations in Training and Technology (CITT) develops websites and online tutorial courses for the CU system. It has produced over 40 websites for University of Colorado departments such as Physical Therapy, the Cooperative Assessment Project, The Spine Center, and the Division for Early Childhood Education.

CITT has also produced 54 online training courses that have garnered over 70,000 course completions by CU faculty, staff, and administration. The Center is totally self-funded. To preview our work, go to <http://cittdesign.com/> .