WHAT'S INCLUDED



Fully Responsive

Beautiful sites on screens of all sizes



Accessible to Everyone

Designed and built to be enabling for all people, and compliant with the WCAG 2.1 AA standard



Easy Content Management

Hassle-free interface designed for site editors so content can be managed efficiently—no technical experience needed



Integration with Columbia Enterprise Systems

Seamless integration with course information , the people directory , and the events calendar



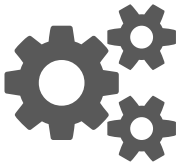
Free Hosting, Enhancements, and Updates

Built on Drupal 8; new features, security updates, and platform upgrades released regularly



No-hassle Branding

Leverage the prestige and credibility of Columbia for your site with free, University-approved branding designed by Columbia Creative , our in-house design team



Training

Hands-on workshops on social media, content creation and curation, analytics, and using Drupal so you can get the most out of your site



Built-in Analytics

Google Analytics allows you to track user engagement and identify popular content so you know how visitors use your site

Why Choose Columbia Sites?

Columbia Sites makes it easy for schools, departments, research groups, and administrative offices to create and maintain a professional University website, **without the cost and complexity of building and managing a website on your own.**

Our standard website models are **free** and include the tools and integrations you need to create a robust, flexible website that follows University standards.

Everything You Need for a University Website

Build a professional site without starting from scratch.

- **Customizable website design** with flexible layouts and landing pages
- **Your own Columbia web address** with a single, consistent URL
- **UNI authentication** for secure access
- **Multiple content authoring accounts** so your team can share website responsibilities
- **University Events Calendar integration** to display events directly on your site
- **Multiple content types** to organize and present different kinds of information
- **Publication pages** to showcase books, articles, reports, and other scholarly work
- **Research project and cluster pages** to highlight research activities and collaborations
- **Research topic organization** so visitors can browse content by area of research
- **Alumni pages** for groups, offices, and programs
- **Administrative services pages** to make services and resources easy to find
- **Document and policy libraries** to organize and share important files
- **CourseWorks integration** to connect your site with courses and course information
- **MA/PhD cohort pages** to organize information about graduate cohorts

Designed to Grow With Your Content

Columbia Sites is built around **structured content**, making it easier to maintain a large website as your department, program, or research group grows. Instead of creating every page from scratch, you can use purpose-built content types for publications, events, people, research projects,

documents, and more.

This makes your website **easier to manage, easier to navigate, and easier for visitors to use.**

No Website Development Required

With Columbia Sites, you don't need to hire a developer or build a website from the ground up. The platform provides the underlying infrastructure, University integrations, and standard functionality—so your team can focus on **creating and maintaining your content.**

A professional Columbia website, without the cost and complexity of managing one yourself.

Learn more about our services

RELEASE NOTES

JULY 28, 2026

Columbia Sites Platform Consolidation

The Columbia Sites team has consolidated the Research, Administrative, and Academic models into a **single, unified platform model.**

Tags: Release Notes

JULY 10, 2026

Sites Upgrades SERPs and Adds a Video Playlist

Columbia Sites Release Notes details new search functionality and webform view role.

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APRIL 28, 2026

Upgrade to Drupal 10.5.9

The Columbia Sites platform was upgraded from Drupal 10.4.9 to 10.5.9 on April 23.

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