Digital Library Federation (DLF) Website Redesign and CMS Implementation Project Homework

• Identify 3 competitor/peer sites

Coalition for Networked Information: http://www.cni.org/ Association for Research Libraries: http://www.arl.org/

RLG Programs (a part of OCLC): http://www.oclc.org/programs/default.htm

Code4Lib: http://code4lib.org/

• Identify 3 sites you like and why

Association of Moving Image Archivists: http://amianet.org/ appealing navigation, decent integration of images with text

NISO: http://www.niso.org/home

clear nav, workrooms for working groups, db backed standards repository

Basecamp: http://www.basecamphq.com

(not this site, but project sites in basecamp) assistance with collaboration, tracking work

• Identify 3 sites you dislike and why

DLF: http://www.diglib.org/

logic vaque, hard to browse, content outdated, broken links, poor use of screen & sidebar

NISO: http://www.niso.org/home

dead ends (coming soon)

LIFT: http://www.liftconference.com/

very busy sidebar around an endless frame

• Give a brief rundown of your user demographics (age/gender/socioeconomic status/computer literacy).

All ages, though mostly 30-60. Librarians and library staff, so well educated and computer literate. Information management is their business.

• List a few key descriptor words that you would like your site to visually evoke (e.g., professional, exciting, conservative, etc.).

Clean, effective, informative, functional, engaging.

• Classify your industry or sphere of influence/interest; please speak in broad as well as specific terms.

Industry is Libraries and Information Management. The DLF is a premier membership organization with a long history (as these things go) working to make digital libraries a reality. We are very highly regarded and our members pay a premium price to stay involved. The standards we help set have a wide impact for libraries around the world.