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Website Topic

Topic Proposal

For this project, I want to create a website for the South Carolina Honors College. The purpose of this website is to provide information in the form of notices, calendar events, references for students to use, exploratory information, and others.

My goal in creating this website is to address the need for a consolidated place for SCHC information to be consolidated. Currently, the SCHC website is under part of the University of South Carolina's website. In fact, it barely has its own page, and is just listed under the list of colleges. This isn't correct; the honors college is a program at the University of South Carolina, not a college. As an honors college student, I find that this really limits the functionality of the website. It's hard to find up-to-date information when the website is only able to be updated once or twice a semester. The main way SCHC sends news out currently is through newsletter, all of which could easily be transferred to a website.

By creating its own website, SCHC would be able to update its online information more often, making it more accessible for the students within it, their parents, and all other interested parties. Additionally, this would come with the benefit of a more aesthetic design as it would not have to rely on the University website's design.

Content that could be included in this website is as follows: event calendar, news page, announcements, link toolbox for current students, depictions of unique things SCHC and its students are doing, contact, interest form, newsletter form, etc.

[Honors College | University of Illinois Chicago (uic.edu)](uic.edu)

This website uses a very simple design to hold information. I really love their use of the calendar bar, though I would probably combine it with a calendar box. Additionally, their use of boxes and buttons is efficient and clean. I would likely add more visuals if using a design similar to this, but it does a really great job of getting the essential information to the audience.

Honors College | The University of Arizona

This website uses a very modern design to depict information. I really enjoy their use of large visuals. Additionally, I find that their use of buttons instead of hyperlinked text is effective in making efficient use of what each link does.