School of Medicine Drupal Federation
Options for Migration Assistance

As folks prepare to move to the new Drupal 8 infrastructure, we understand that even in these difficult budgetary times, many units will need assistance with migration. Here are some options, in order of preference. Keep in mind that the majority of migration efforts can be done by someone who takes the training that will be provided by SoM once the system is available.

1. Find a person in your unit who can be recruited to assist with migration.
2. Partner with another unit who has someone who can assist with migration.
3. Hire someone temporarily, (temp service, student, staff, etc.) to assist with migration.
4. Hire an outside vendor who can assist with migration.
   - If you hire an outside vendor/web developer, ensure that they know that this is a web migration project and NOT a web development project. Development may be required to write scripts for auto migration, but developers will not be able to create or edit the Drupal infrastructure.

Keep in mind that whatever route you choose, completing the pre-migration process as laid out in the pre-migration documentation, will significantly reduce the amount of time required to move content and thereby reduce costs.

How to make requests:

You will need to communicate with your business managers to acquire the appropriate documents and authorization for expenditures.

- Requests to hire a student (or other staff), are made by submitting a Vacancy Management Approval Form.
- Requests for temp services (including Duke Temps) are made by submitting the Expense Approval Request form and selecting “Contracts/Service Agreements/Temporary Services >$2,500.”
- Requests to hire a vendor are made by submitting the Expense Approval Request form and selecting “Web/Software Dev, IT consulting, Cloud-based offering. (any amount)”

Vendors

If you have a Duke approved vendor that you have worked with in the past and are comfortable with, you are welcome to reach out to them for quotes to assist with migration.

The following vendors, listed in alphabetical order, have expressed interest in assisting units with migration.

Design Hammer
Dave Shepley, Development Strategist & Project Manager
[www.designhammer.com](http://www.designhammer.com)
(919) 336-5669
OIT DWS will not assist with regular migration, but they may be able to write scripts to assist with the automated migration of certain content types like blogs, etc.

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