# 1. Website description:

Our goal with this website is to provide a simple, easy, and central place for people to share resources and describe ongoing projects related to the topic of ASL-Interpreting in BC. As such, we are hoping for a fairly simple layout: something like a blog with sections and key words. We are hoping it can be designed to be friendly and welcoming, so a fair amount of white space/photos ideally.

# 2. Description of Overall Website Structure:

At present, we imagine that there would be **two content sections, with three subsections within each content section,** and one submission form section.

**The submission form section** would simply contain a submission form for people to submit a description of their ongoing or completed research/project.

In terms of the website structure, what we imagined it would look like the following:

**The three sections of the website are**:

1. Ongoing research/projects
2. Completed research/projects
3. Submit your research/project

I imagine these three sections would be the main menu items, but I will defer to your expertise here.

Within each of the content sections (so section 1. and 2. above) there would be **three subsections**:

1. Interpreting services
2. Interpreting research
3. ASL Community

I imagine these to be sub-items nested under the 1. and 2. menu items, but again I will defer to your expertise here.

**So the overall structure** would look like:

1. Ongoing research/projects
   1. Interpreting services
   2. Interpreting research
   3. ASL Community
2. Completed research/projects
   1. Interpreting services
   2. Interpreting research
   3. ASL Community
3. A menu item that goes to a submission form for ongoing/completed projects (which would be just a simple submission form, for example something like this: <https://forms.gle/BqvpX4Y65tTRTP9W7>)

## 2.1 Description of content sections

Within the main content sections and sub-content sections, we would love for there to be **a list of content previews** ordered from most to least recent. On this main page, the title, authors, a photo (if available), and keywords of each content item would be displayed. If people want to read more, they would click on the short preview to go to a dedicated page on that content.

## 2.2 Description of Individual Content Pages:

**Each dedicated individual content page** would be short but contain:

* The report/document title
* Description of project (up to 300 words)
* Authors
* Host organization/institution
* Funding
* Any additional reading/resources related to the topic
* Either a link to the document (if hosted elsewhere) or the file itself (if hosted on the website)
* Link to or embedded video of report/project in American Sign Language (if available)
* Keywords (which we hope would allow people to search for them and/or click on them to bring up other articles with the same keywords)

# 3. Desired Website Features:

If possible, it would be great for the website to have the following features. I have divided up the desired features into back-end and front-end, for the sake of clarity. It is possible that something I list in one, is actually a feature of the other, as I haven’t done a lot of web page design.

**Back-End Features:**

* Easy to add and change content, even for less tech-savvy people. I don’t see a need to do a lot of re-design of the menus or structure, but expect a fair amount of need to regularly update and modify the content.
* Ability to assign multiple people editor privileges, so that multiple organizations or administrators can add/modify content. When I say editor privileges, I mean the ability to modify, add, or change content but not the overall site function or the ability to add other administrators.
* Default page layouts, so that when new content is added the input forms are fairly standard. For example, when adding new content, it automatically has sections for “authors” “description” ect.
* If possible, when new content is added, a preview of it is automatically added to the relevant main content section. I would like to avoid needing to have this be a separate step.

**Front-End Features:**

* Search bar, that searches authors, titles, key words, and descriptions
* Ability to sign up for email notices when content is added (an RSS feed would probably be easiest)
* Ability to embed videos, as some reports will be just in American Sign Language
* Ability to search by key-words, with a single click. So clicking on a key word brings up other content that is labeled with that key word, across the whole site
* Accessibility adjustments integrated (same as ACE-BC, the left button)
* SEO optimized (would be great if it shows up on related google searches fairly often)

# 4. Ideas for domain name

Some ideas we had for the domain name, but again open to change based on your expertise:

* BCInterpretingResearch.ca
* BCASLInterpretingResearch.com/ca
* ASLInterpretingResearchBC.com