



NSM Site Mandates and Topics

The following document presents draft updated site mandates and proposed topics for interpretation, based on the Content Distribution Matrix. Each NSM site includes a revised mandate and mission as well as a listing of topics (those to maintain, those to enhance and those to develop). These sheets are to be shared with the NSM sites for their feedback.

Sites are encouraged to proactively use their mandates, in concert with the other tools provided in this plan, to expand content and develop experiences while remaining authentic to their respective time periods and attitudes. Interpretive products and experiences derived from this plan must reflect both the mandate and mission of the Museum and the site, as well as the stories and themes suggested.

During the process of assigning topics to sites, there were several topics called out that had the potential to be addressed at many sites as “talking points” or smaller stories that can be incorporated into public programming. These are:

- » B.3.2: Mi'kmaq Exploration & Settlement
- » B.4.9: Outmigration: 19th and 20th Century
- » B.5.4: Coastal Communities
- » B.6.5: Rural Depopulation since 1945
- » Genealogy