

Homework: Planning and Diagramming Your Website

Most website designers recommend sketching out the structure of your site beforehand, as shown below.

Create a new Word document in 23webplan called “Name’s Webplan” (use your own name, of course, such as “Tyler’s Webplan.”)

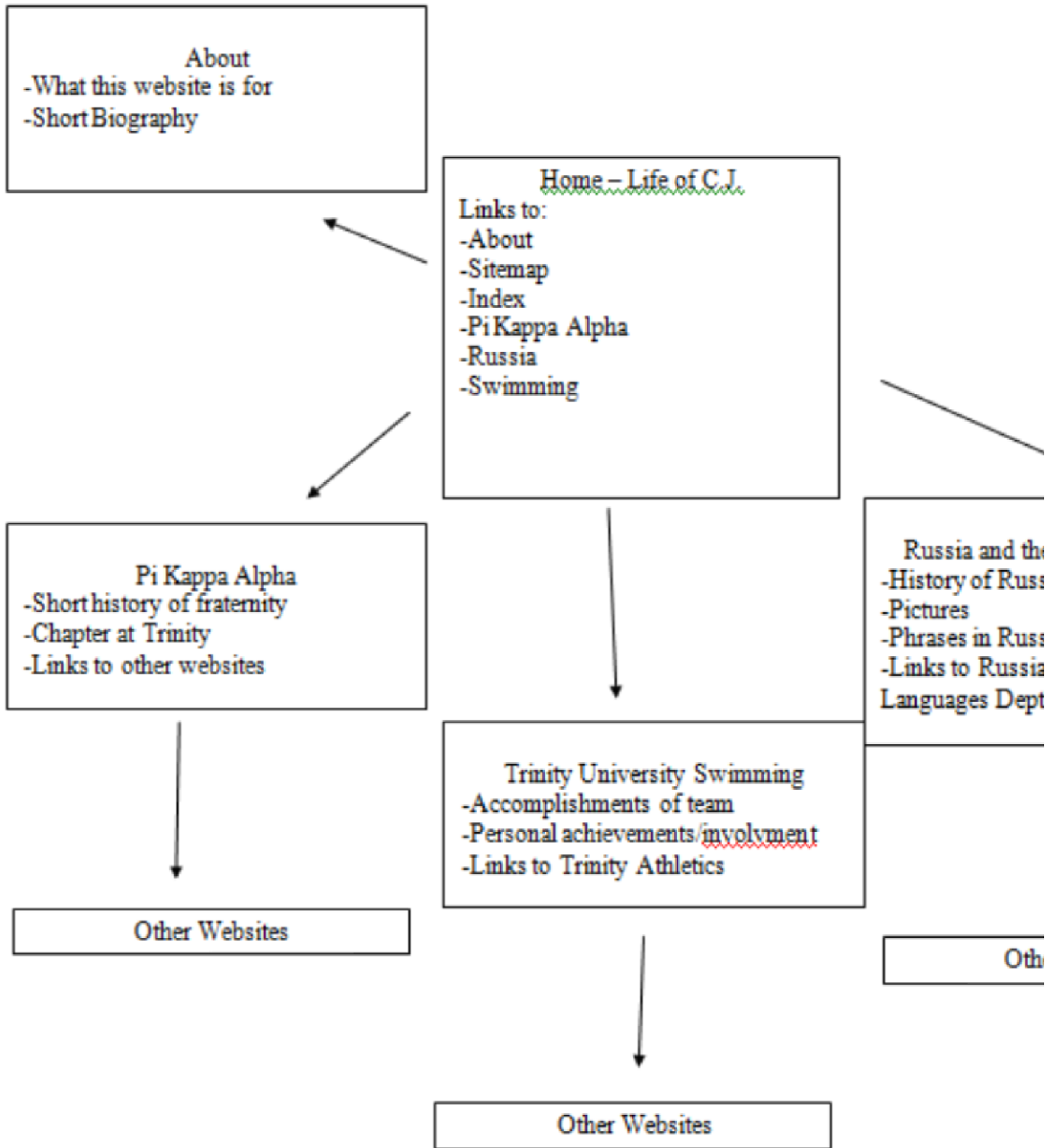
Consider the following questions before you start your plan –

- What is the purpose of your website?
- Are you designing for a specific audience or a general audience?
- Have you looked at other websites to find “style” that you like?
- Where will you get your web graphics and images?
- If you are using photographs, can you get permission from the subjects?

Use a pencil and paper (scan it into a Word doc) or MS Word drawing tools to draw boxes for pages and arrows for links. Label your diagram. Remember to keep your goals and your audience in mind as you do this. This is essentially the process of creating a visual outline. And it will save you a lot of time to do this on paper before your site is constructed. You can change your mind if your content changes as you work.

Here is an example (see next page) – everyone’s will be different, and remember that you can change details later if your content changes as you work.

Name: _____ My Website Diagram



This website is for a prospective student audience. It will allow me to use my experiences to show what Trinity is like – more in depth if you will. I really like the layout of the Trinity Athletics site as well as the Trinity University site. I will use personal photos from my own collection, Google images (for Russia), and photos from others (I will ask permission before I use such photos).

