

# Hiring Drupal Specialists

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### **The Core Requirements You Should Look For In A Drupal Expert**

When hiring a Drupal web designer, you will want to know that at the very least he or she has a strong knowledge of the Drupal PHP. Research the designer or group's background, read testimonials and ask for references, and peruse their online portfolio. Make sure that the person you hire to manage your Drupal site development has a firm working knowledge of

- Core Drupal PHP installation
- Drupal modules and add-ons needed to build in additional features and customize your Drupal site development
- Programming languages and codes so that your Drupal site can be highly customized and modified

In addition to having a working knowledge of these things, you will want to be sure that the Drupal web designer you choose is well-versed and highly knowledgeable about Drupal and issues inherent to the program. [Drupal web design](#) is a quickly-changing and adaptable program that is favored for its enhanced customization and fast evolution; but to capitalize on those things you need someone who stays up to speed on the framework and the many options available through additional modules and modifications. And as Drupal is an open source program that you and your Drupal web designer are free to change and modify, you should also look for a Drupal expert who can creatively tweak a program to offer you truly unique functionality and flexibility.

### **The Added Value You'll Come To Appreciate In A Drupal Web Designer**

Many programmers know the basics to meet the requirements above, stringent as they might sound; however, recognizing that you are hiring a Drupal expert because you do not speak the language, you should also look for a Drupal specialist who offers you added value based on their customer service, policies, and client satisfaction. Consider your needs, and look for the additional qualities that will completely fulfill them. Look for a web designer who

- Understands the demands of business and the importance of the bottom line
- Works expediently to deliver a high quality product on time, within a reasonable amount of time
- Is reliable and dependable (additionally important with Drupal site development as there is no readily accessible Drupal tech support)
- Will listen to your interests and needs, and then work with you, not in place of you
- Delivers a product that you can use, that is understandable and useable by you and everyone who lands on your website
- Completes the work themselves, not outsourcing to subcontractors whom you have never been in contact with (is that really understanding your needs?)
- Approaches your Drupal site development project objectively, with a fresh and clear perspective

Above all, choose a Drupal expert who will be there in the end&mdash;one who will continue to be available to you readily to assist you with any issue, or answer any question.

It may take you a little longer to locate the Drupal expert who encompasses all of the basic and value-added services listed here. That extra time will more than payoff for you, though, when you have a Drupal web site designed to your exact needs and specifications, and the ready support of a team that is as invested in your project as you are.

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