IPRO 311 OPENING THE DOOR TO THE USHMM ARCHIVES WITH THE INTRANET MEDIATOR
IPRO 311: Our Purpose

The Meaning of IPRO

• Major Diversity
• Team Oriented

Goal Changes 1st Day!

Students at Start of Semester = 13
End of Semester = 7

A Mediator for USHMM Archivists

1. User Manual
2. User Queries
3. Update IM Website
4. New Poster
5. PR for IM Support
6. User Studies
7. Demonstrate IM
8. Mobile Display

“I graduated from a special school. Auschwitz was the name. Four years I spent there...all my days were nights. Everything that was near and dear to me they took. There is only one thing worse than Auschwitz itself, and that is if the world forgets there was such a place.”

—Henry Appel (Holocaust survivor)
The Holocaust: A Brief Introduction

"First they came for the Communists, and I did not speak out because I was not a Communist. Then they came for the trade unionists, and I did not speak out because I was not a trade unionist. Then they came for the Jews, and I did not speak out because I was not a Jew. Then they came for me, and there was no one left to speak out for me."

– Reverend Marin
“It was horrible what was done to the people. Remember it. Peace is the only thing what I wish.”
—Author unknown
“The things I saw beggar description...the visual evidence and the verbal testimony of starvation, cruelty and bestiality were so overpowering.... I made the visit deliberately, in order to be in a position to give first hand evidence of these things if ever, in the future, there develops a tendency to charge these allegations merely to propaganda.”

—Eisenhower, April 15, 1945, after visiting Ohrdruf
The Intranet Mediator User Manual

From Code to Search Engine
UNITED STATES

HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL MUSEUM

Who was Anne Frank?

USHMM Search

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From Code to Search Engine

Manual

• User Overview
• Coding

LaTeX

• Tutorial and Template for Manual
A User-Friendly Mediator

Queries ➔ Search Questions and Keywords

User Studies

• 14–80 Age Range
• Testing Mediator Usability ➔
  • Find Information Using Mediator
  • Did the Mediator supply relevant and valuable information?
  • Prefer Keyword or Natural Language Search?
• 33% Satisfied, 46% Somewhat Satisfied, 21% Not Satisfied…0% Disliked
The Presentation

Display Structure ➔ The Holocaust In Miniature

• Mobile Simplicity
• Materials ➔ PVC, Black Cloth
Display Structure (Walls Removed)
Building and Assembling
The Presentation

Display Structure ➔ The Holocaust In Miniature

• Mobile Simplicity
  • Materials ➔ PVC, Black Cloth
• Short Films
  • Timeline
  • Slideshow

Please stop by our display and experience it for yourselves.
Conclusion

Overcome problems ➔ Teamwork!

• Dedicated to Cause
• Play to Strengths ➔ Best Major for Each Task
• Communication is Key
  • Thursday Nights on AIM
  • Sub-group Meetings
  • Zchor Bulletin Board

Any Questions?

“[The USHMM can] access information that cannot be found anywhere else...[with the Mediator, it can] help people in search of their roots...

How can we find a name out of 6 million?”

— Gideon Frieder (Holocaust survivor and archivist for the USHMM)
Credits

• Slide Photographs
  • Sidney Blau
  • Wilhelm Brasse
  • Joseph Carbon
  • Carolanne Rife
  • Jordan Wilberding

• Quote Sources
  • http://www.scrapbookpages.com/USA/USHMM/Exterior.html
  • www.tcnj.edu/~maffa2/quotes.htm
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