# **Dspace customization**

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#### What to customize

- Look and feel
- Submission steps
- Submission forms

#### **Best Practice**

Do all the customizations at the source directory

**The source directory::** This is where (surprise!) the source code lives. It is referred to in this document as [dspace-source].

**The install directory::** This directory is populated during the install process and also by DSpace as it runs. It is referred to in this document as *[dspace]*.

The web deployment directory:: This directory is generated by the web server the first time it finds a dspace.war file in its webapps directory.

#### **Input Forms**

Dspace comes with a default form

- You may want to;
  - Change the names of the fields
  - Edit fields
  - Add more fields
  - Remove some fields

### Customizing input forms - Step 1

- Define the field by adding metadata schema
- Log in to dspace as admin
- Under registries, select metadata
- Select DC (Dublin core)
- Add the field you want
- Example DC.contributor.Reviewer

## Adding a field - Reviewer

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🔒 UoN Digital Repository Home	/ Metadata registry / Metadata schema	
Metadata Schema: "dc"		Search Q
This is the metadata schema for "http://dublincore.org/documents/dcmi-terms/". You may add new or update existing metadata fields to this schema. Fields may also be selected for deletion or be moved to another schema.		All of UoN Digital Repository
Update Field: 2		Communities & Collections
Field Name: dc .		By Issue Date
contributor		Authors
Reviewer		Titles
Scope Note:		Subjects
Use primarily for thesis Reviewer.		MY ACCOUNT
Additional notes about this metadata field.		Logout
Update field Cancel		Profile
		Submissions
Schema metadata fields		ADMINISTRATIVE
ID Field	Scope Note	Control Panel

## Customizing input forms - Step 2

- Log in to dspace (Backend)
- ▶ Go to the installation directory then input-forms.xml
  - ▶ [dspace]/config/input-forms.xml
  - Make the following entry

<field>

- <dc-schema>dc</dc-schema>
- <dc-element>contributor</dc-element>
- <dc-qualifier>Reviewer</dc-qualifier>
- <repeatable>true</repeatable>
- <label>Riviewer</label>
- <input-type>name</input-type>
- <hint>Enter the names of the reviewers of this item below.</hint>
- <required></required>

</field>

<field>

Done

# Customizing communities and collections

- A theme can be created for a specific community
  - Make a Copy of the exiting theme and edit
  - Modify theme variables [your theme's directory]/sitemap.xmap and look for <global-variables>

<global-variables> <theme-path>[your theme's directory]</theme-path> <theme-name>[your theme's name]</theme-name> </global-variables>

Update both the theme's path to the directory name you created in step on xmlui.xconf

<!-- <theme name="Test Theme 1" handle="/11295/772" path="theme1/"/> --

#### End