

# Long-Term Vision for Progress Forum

Draft V1

Comments & Alterate Designs Welcome

# Overview of this document

This design is about the long-term vision, not the MVP\*.

MVP should take first step towards long-term vision.

This is a very early design; my comments are in **red** font.

I time-boxed work to 1 day, to get it out early

Content in this design is to give clarity of my intentions; it is all subject to change

What to focus on now:

- Layout, navigation and high-level organization of content

- General functionality and type of content that we need

- Decide what we can and cannot implement in ForceMagnum\* (MVP and post).

What **NOT** to focus on now (all of this comes later):

- Terminology

- Content (other than above)

- Font

- Colors

- Iconography, Logo, etc.

# Overview of this project

To offer the best user experience, the Progress Studies movement needs an online hub.

This online hub should consist of links to all known progress-related online content.

This hub **may** be Progress Forum (Option 1), or  
it **may** need to be a separate website that links to the Progress Forum (Option 2).

Which of the two options that we choose should be determined by:  
the flexibility and extensibility of ForceMagnum.

# Users to Keep In Mind

Many different types of people will use the site; we need to keep them all in mind when designing and implementing.

Potential new members, who might join PS movement.

New members, who just made decision to join.

Existing members, who want to keep in touch with movement weekly.

Moderators of website

Leaders of PS movement, who want to make announcements or start discussion on important issues.

Developers, who are building first few versions.

Developers, who fix bugs, add future functionality in future (after main Dev team leaves).

Progress bloggers

Progress authors of books

Financial donors and potential donors.

Convention organizers

Leaders of local chapters who organize face-to-face meetings.

Book publishers, who want to promote books related to progress

Media (traditional and social)

Others?

# Proposed Organization of Site

See separate “Organization of Site” PDF for written description.

See following pages for my proposed:

- High-level organization of content

- Navigation

Layout and functionality will vary somewhat due to content type.

The following pages do not cover all pages in website; they cover just enough so we have a common understanding

To repeat, **all of this is subject to change**; my proposal is just the starting point.

Comments welcome!

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# Progress: <Page>

Displays selected main page

This page shows layout of main sub-sections

Promoting an awareness and understanding of progress: mankind's greatest accomplishment.

Main Nav bag

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**Most Popular**  
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Date selector (to view archive)

<Date>



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# Progress: Home

This page is for New members

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## Welcome!

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Welcome to the Progress Forum, the online hub for the Progress movement. If you want to learn about progress and make a difference in the world, you came to the right place!

In this website, you will find:

- [Our goals](#)
- [Weekly updates on progress-related News](#)
- [Importance decisions that the movement needs to make](#)
- [Great discussion on progress-related issues; create your own thread!](#)
- [Weekly update of progress-related Blog posts](#)
- [List of all known progress-related Blogs](#)
- [Lists and summaries of progress-related Books](#)
- [Annual conferences](#)
- [Local chapters where you can meet other fans of progress](#)
- [Think Tanks coming up with great new ideas to make the world better](#)
- [Social Media accounts](#)

Be sure to read our ["Code of Conduct" policy](#).

Check back weekly for updates!

This is evergreen content, that is rarely updated.

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# Progress: News

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**Most Important News of Year**  
(these are evergreen content)

**Monday: January 10, 2022**

Date selector (to view archive)



- [2022 Conference is scheduled](#) <Name of person who posted>
- [Local Dallas chapters is forming](#) <Name of person who posted>
- [NY Times article on us](#) <Name of person who posted>
- [Welcome our new moderator](#) <Name of person who posted>
- [Matt Ridley just published new book on progress](#) <Name of person who posted>
- [New progress blog started](#) <Name of person who posted>
- [Voting results on "Issue of the Week" published](#) <Name of person who posted>
- [Essay contents announced](#) <Name of person who posted>
- [Donate money to new progress blogster](#) <Name of person who posted>
- [Local chapter recruitment contest announced](#) <Name of person who posted>

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# Progress: Decisions

This page is reserved for organizational discussions and voting

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**Most Important Decisions**  
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**Monday: January 10, 2022** ▼

**Debate: What are our goals as a movement?** <Name of person who posted>

**Vote: What is the definition of progress?** <Name of person who posted>

This section only contains two rows:

Current "Issue of the Week"

Last "Issue of the Week" with link to voting on Google Sheets

Only moderators and key leaders can post, but everyone can discuss and vote.

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# Progress: Discussions

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## Most Popular of this Week

List of 5 most popular threads  
can this be automated?

## Most Popular of this Month

List of 10 most popular threads  
can this be automated?

## Most Popular of this Year

List of 20 most popular threads  
can this be automated?

## Free Discussion Threads

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<Title of discussion>

<Name of person who posted>

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Anyone can post or respond.

Requires very light moderation only

Not sure what happens to old threads...

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# Progress: Blog Posts

This page is for open discussion about Blog posts

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[Recent](#) [Discussion](#) [Active Blogs](#) [Inactive Blogs](#) [Top 50 of All-Time](#)

## Most Popular of this Week

List of 5 most popular  
can this be automated?

## Most Popular of this Month

List of 10 most popular  
can this be automated?

## Most Popular of this Year

List of 20 most popular  
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Monday: January 10, 2022

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<Blogger Name>: <Title of Blog Post>

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Anyone can post or respond.

Ideally, blogger who made original posts creates thread

Requires very light moderation only

We may need a form to ensure that:

Blogger Name is in title

Blogger Title is in thread title

Only Blog-related discussion takes place here

Date of Thread corresponds with blog post date

Ideally, we can combine list of recent posts with discussions  
on those post on same page; not sure how.

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# Progress: Books

This page is for open discussion about progress-related Books

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[Books](#) [Summaries](#) [Discussion](#) [Top 20 of All-Time](#)

## Most Recent Releases

List of 5 most recent  
can this be automated?

## Released in past 12 months

can this be automated?

## Most Popular of All-Time

List of 10 most popular

## Progress-related Books

Date selector (to view archive?)



<Author Name>: <Title of Book>

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Anyone can post or respond.

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Author Name is in title

Author Title is in thread title

Only Book-related discussion takes place here

Publishing Date

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on those post on same page; not sure how.

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# Progress: Meetings

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Advertisement for upcoming conferences?

## Annual Conferences

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[Upcoming 2023 Chicago Conference](#)

[2022 San Jose Conference \(minutes and results\)](#)

Only moderators, leaders and conference planners can post

Ideally, we can include link to conference-planning software where people can book tickets for next conference.

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# Progress: Meetings

This page is for face-to-face meetings of local chapters

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## Local Chapters

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[San Francisco Chapter: Next meeting Monday, January 28](#)

[Seattle Chapter: Next meeting ....](#)

[New York Chapter: Next meeting ....](#)

[Austin Chapter: Recruiting new members](#)

[Boston Chapter: Looking for new organizer](#)

Only moderators, leaders and local leaders can post

Ideally, local groups can update their own pages as needed.

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# Progress: Resources

This page is for listing online resources, other than books and blogs

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## Progress-related Websites

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<Website name>

Only moderators and leaders can post

Ideally, new website will contact us for inclusion on list.

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# Progress: About

This page contains a wide variety of content

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[Our Goals](#) [Manifesto](#) [Definition of Progress](#) [Rules of Conduct](#) [Contact Us](#) [Credits](#)

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## Our Goals

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The goals of the Progress movement is to:

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Content in this section should only be modified by group agreement.

Moderators can only fix typos and grammatical errors.

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