

# OmniUpdate Training Tuesday Table Transformation Snippets



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#### **AGENDA**

- Snippets Overview
- Table Transformation Building Blocks
- Steps to make your own
- Let's make one (or two!)

Heads up – we'll be working in HTML, CSS, and XSL today.





#### **SNIPPETS - A REFRESHER**

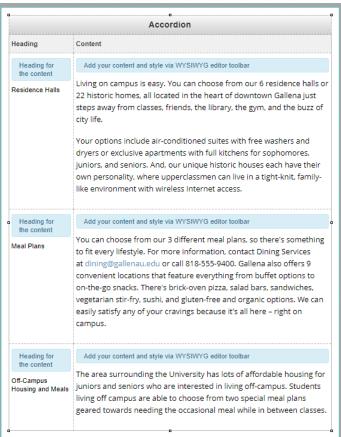
- Used as a way to repeat <u>structure</u> of a content block/design element
- Content inside of a snippet is editable on a page
- Creating snippets is a two-part process
  - Build/upload snippet file inside OU Campus (typically /\_resources/snippets)
  - Go to Content > Snippets and tell OU Campus to treat the file as a Snippet
- Two types of snippets
  - Basic Snippet is a chunk of pre-written HTML that you can edit (no advanced code needed)
  - "Table Transformation" chunk of HTML that is transformed into a complex design with the help of an additional code component





#### TABLE TRANSFORMATIONS

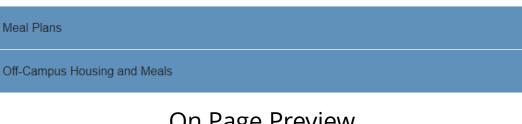
- Helpful way to make complex blocks of content editable inside a WYSIWYG
- Code component transforms Snippet from table format to desired output



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On Page Preview

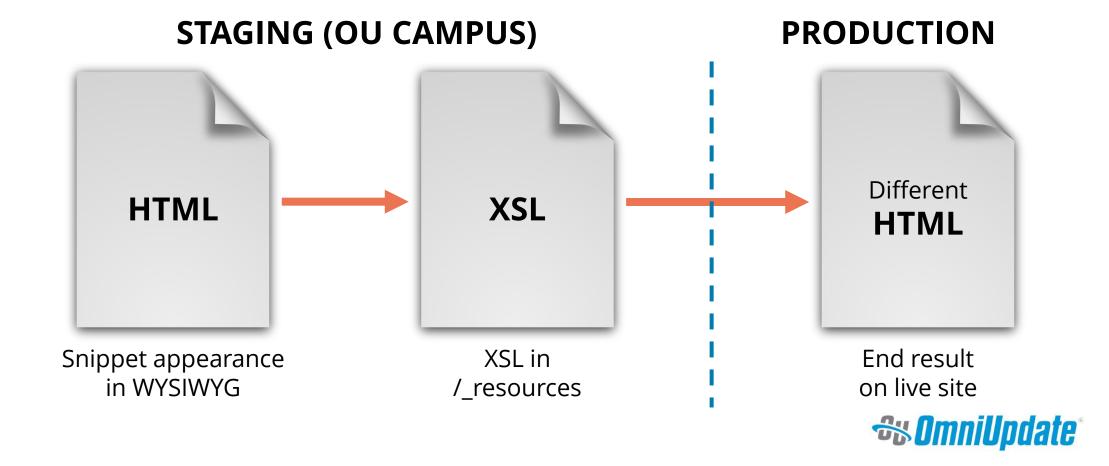
In JustEdit (WYSIWYG)





#### **HOW DOES IT WORK?**

- Table Transformations use XSL to transform content
  - that's the "code component" mentioned earlier
- Table transformations are a great intro to OU Campus templates
  - Uses the same underlying principle, just with more complex inputs/outputs





#### **BUILDING NEW TABLE TRANSFORMATIONS**

- 1. Design your end result first
  - Create HTML and CSS on live site that gives you the "final" look and feel
- 2. Determine what needs to be editable
  - Separate "design" from "content"
- 3. Build your "table" for users to edit in WYSIWYG
  - Create the Snippet that users will see in OU Campus ( tag with a class applied)
- 4. Write XSL to bring it all together
  - Now that you know the format of the "content," use XSL to grab that content and plug it into the "design" of your end result
  - XSL will target the you wrote in step 3, and manipulate the content inside of it
- 5. (Optional) Add in additional help for your users
  - Write additional code that helps your users understand how to use the Snippet





## Let's Make One!





### **NEXT TRAINING TUESDAY**

Next month's Training Tuesday will be held on **DECEMBER 12<sup>th</sup>**.

We'll be covering the topic of **GADGETS**.

Be sure to visit the OCN or Support Site for further details!

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Thank you!

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