

## Objective – Section visibility-Introduction

- > To ensure that the section does not automatically become a part of the main navigation
- > To control what items show on the main navigation (main menu)

## Section visibility and main navigation (centre menu)

In attempt to simplify things, we have opted to set the menu to auto-populate using the subsections of the website. This allows for the re-introduction of drop-down menus (**see fig. 1 below**).

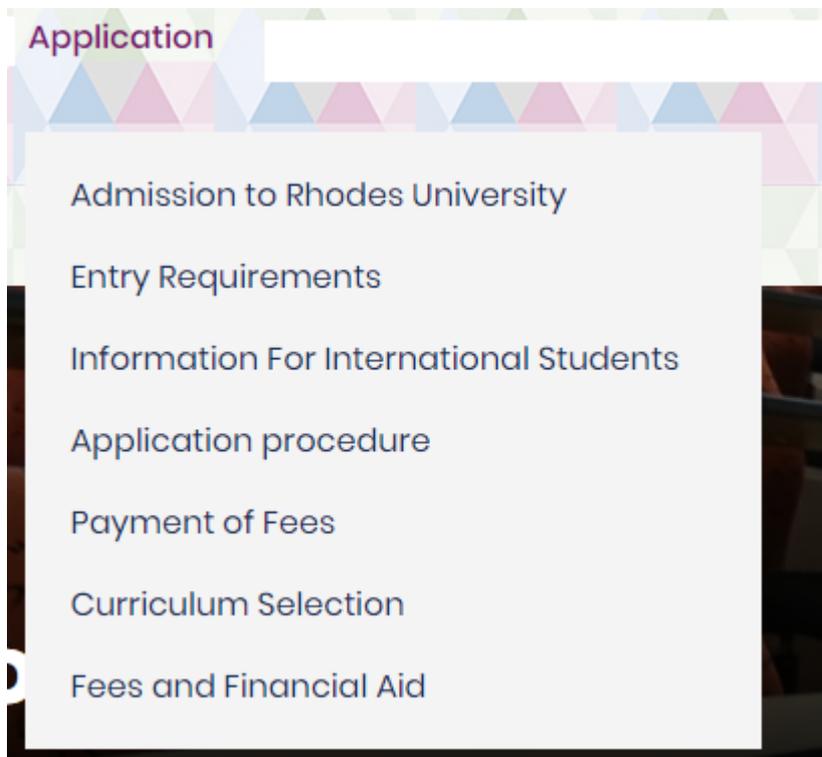


Figure 1: Drop-down menu

The example shown above is from the Admissions Gateway. The structure that built the menu above, looks like this: (see fig. 2)

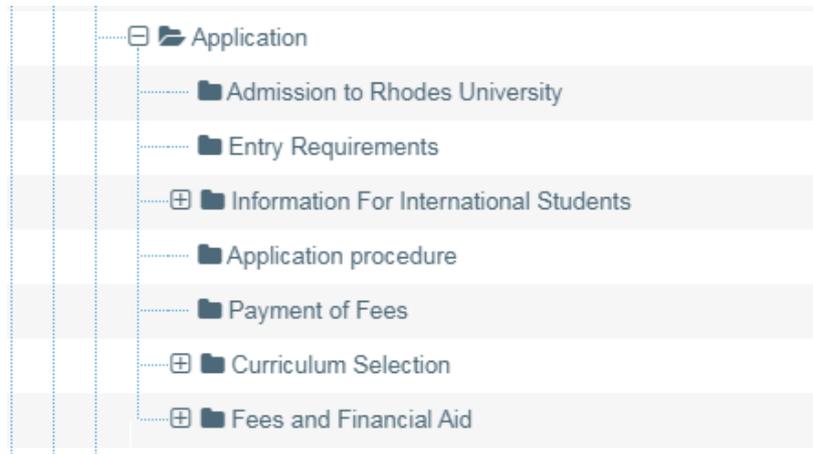


Figure 2: Sub structure of the "Application" section.

The challenge with this, is that every section that is a sub-section of the main site will be featured in the menu. Obviously, we do not want that.

Below, we have a site structure of the Admissions Gateway, (see fig.3), as you can see the folders are not all the same. Some are dark, some are transparent.

You might have already noticed that the darkened folders correspond to the items showing on the menu on fig.4.

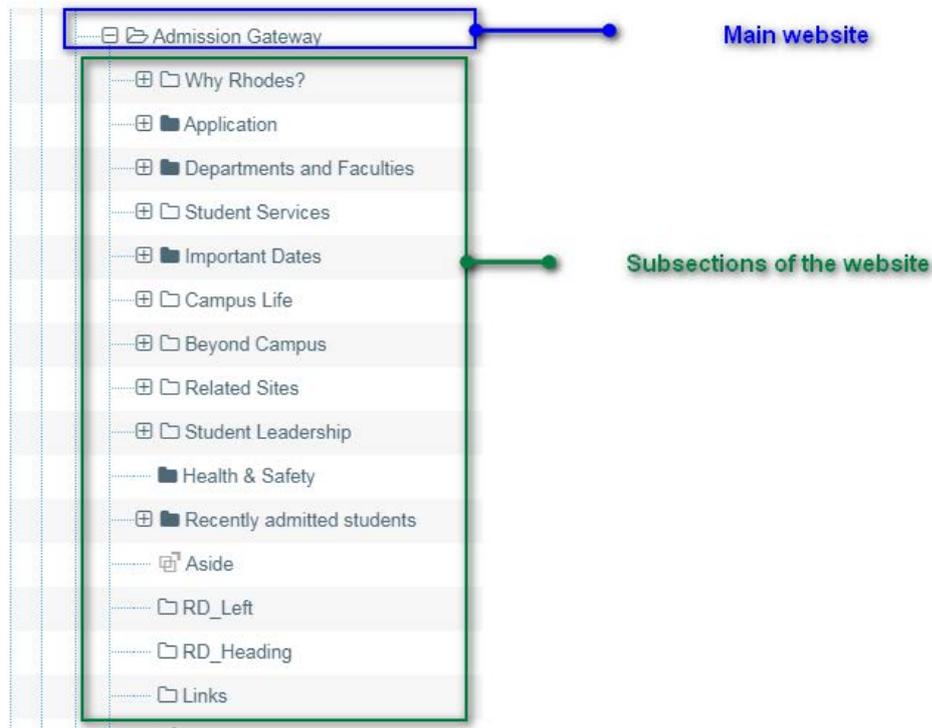


Figure 3: Admissions gateway site structure



Figure 4: Admissions gateway menu (front end)

This is the way of dealing with the challenge of every sub-section showing on the menu. The darkened folders are set to show in the navigation and the transparent folders are NOT set to show on navigation.

**NB:**

**We still recommend 8 items per menu, and one word names where possible.**

The document on “How to set section visibility” will cover how the sections are set to dark or transparent, i.e. Visible or not visible on navigation, respectively.