

Issues observed with Erasmus Mundus Course Map

<http://ema.map.s3-website.ca-central-1.amazonaws.com/> July 2017

Red: most severe issues (quick and dirty rating)

1. Does not initialize properly
2. Status selection does not always work properly
3. User cannot select filter criteria important for him (for example TOEFL result), must go individually through all programs
4. Study programs have individual point systems for English knowledge
5. Input field for filter string very difficult to recognize (actually only when hovering over it or clicking into it)
6. Continents as filter criterium missing
7. Filter for new programs missing
8. Tooltips with program names should not cover acronym, both should be visible together
9. Number of locations for a program could be added to the list (you might see only part of the locations or even none in the current view, which is confusing)
10. When selecting a program, a rectangle around its locations and displaying the number of locations would help to recognize that all locations are currently visible (you might not have seen the zooming)
11. Terminology: "Doctorates" vs. "PhD"
12. Program and City difficult to recognize as radio buttons
13. "D/C" not recognizable (might read "DIC" due to low contrast and italic formatting)
14. Meaning of "D/C" unclear ("discontinued")
15. "New" unclear (when introduced?)
16. Icon for map styles difficult to recognize (layers? PhD hat?)
17. Labels missing for icon buttons on map (compare Google Maps)
18. Buttons for Settings and Information would go well together
19. EMA button too big, or could at least be moved into the upper left corner (assuming Set-tings is moved down to Information)
20. Icon contrast not always sufficient (for an extreme case, see zoom icons in dark skin)
21. "light" for the skin sounds as if the colors are lighter, not as if less elements are on the map (this would better be named differently, maybe "reduced")
22. Radio buttons for light/dark/basic either with more spacing between the options or, better, arranged vertically)
23. Status of the EMA program should be set by default to Ongoing
24. List of all possible keywords (drop down list button)
25. One button can be added to zoom out to the whole world scale.