

## Fusion Menu

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**Fusion Menu** is a menu theme of the **RokNavMenu** extension, the addon that drives all RocketTheme template menus. It is primarily a javascript enhanced CSS dropdown menu, that combines standard suckerfish type functionality with animations, transitions and other advanced effects provided by Mootools.

**NOTE:** The latest version of [RokNavMenu](#) is required, in order for Fusion to operate.

### *Latest Features*

Below is a list of the most recent features added to Fusion Menu:

- Triple / Quad Column Mode
- Column Menu Grouping
- Column Width Control
- Load Modules inside Dropdowns
- Load Module Positions inside Dropdowns

### *Recurring Features*

Below is a list of the standard, recurring features of the Fusion Menu:

- Single Column Mode
- Dual Column Mode
- Menu Item Subtext
- Menu Item Icons
- Javascript Controls

## Editing Menu Items

All Menu Items can be edited from **Admin** ▢ **Menu** ▢ **Menu Name** ▢ **Menu Item**.

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The screenshot shows the Joomla! Fusion Menu configuration interface. At the top, there's a title bar with a Joomla! logo and the text "Menu Item: [ Change ]". On the right, there are three buttons: "Save" (floppy disk icon), "Apply" (checkmark icon), and "Close" (X icon).

The main content area is divided into two columns. The left column is titled "Menu Item Type" and shows "Article Layout" selected. Below this, it says "The Article Layout displays a single Article." Under "Menu Item Details", there are fields for ID (201), Title (Fusion Menu), Alias (fusion-menu), Link (index.php?option=com\_content&view=article), Display In (Main Menu), Parent Item (a dropdown menu showing a tree structure with "Top" selected), Published (Yes), and Order (12 (Fusion Menu)).

The right column contains a list of parameter groups. The first group, "Parameters (Template theme - gantry-fusion)", is expanded and shows fields for Subtext Line, Menu Image (Use Default), Custom CSS Class, Columns of Child Items (1), Item Distribution (Evenly), Drop-Down Width (px), Column Widths (px), Group Child Items (No), and Child Item Type (Menu Item(s)). Below this are other parameter groups: "Parameters (Template theme - gantry-splitmenu)", "Parameters (Template theme - gantry-suckerfish)", "Parameters (Extended Query Strings)", and "Parameters (System)".

### Basic Fusion Parameters

#### *Adding Subtext*

**Subtext Line** is the option that allows you to insert additional text to the **Menu Item Title**. There is separate styling for this, making it useful for adding brief descriptions to menu items.

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Parameters (Template theme - gantry-fusion)

Subtext Line

Menu Image

Custom CSS Class

Columns of Child Items

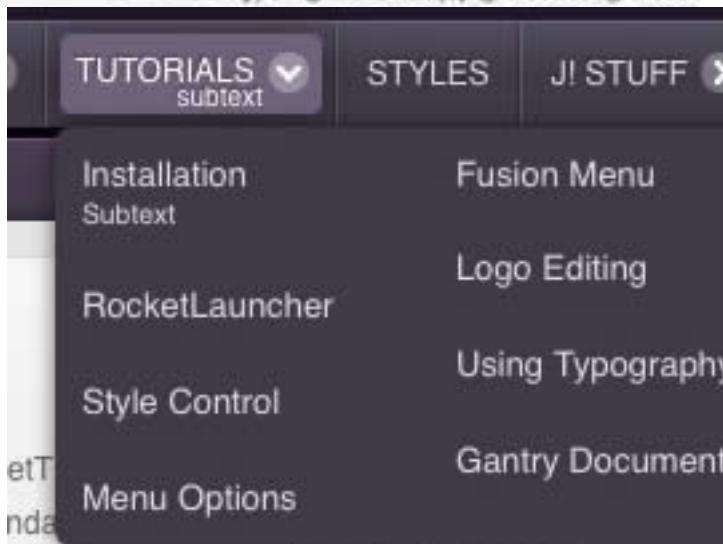
Item Distribution ☐ Evenly ☒ In Order

Drop-Down Width (px)

Column Widths (px)

Group Child Items ☒ No ☐ Yes

Child Item Type ☒ Menu Item(s) ☐ Modules ☐ Moduk



~~Menu Item~~ This option that allows you to insert an inline icon / image to the **Menu Item**.

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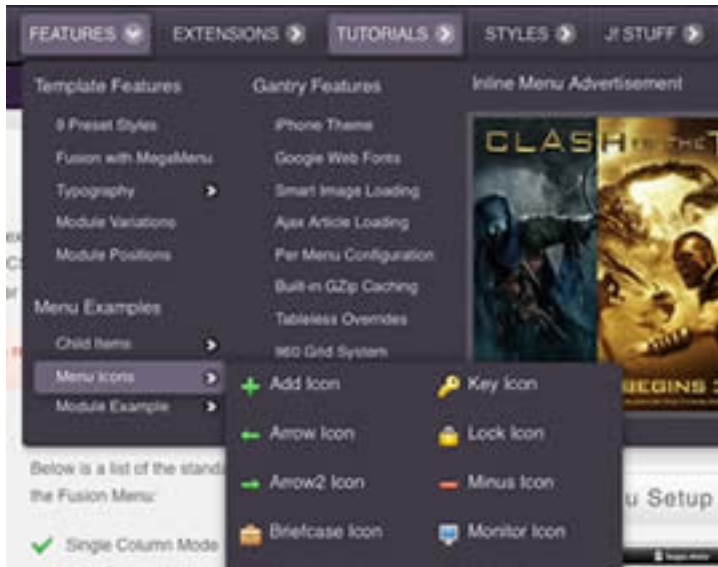
icon-arrow.png

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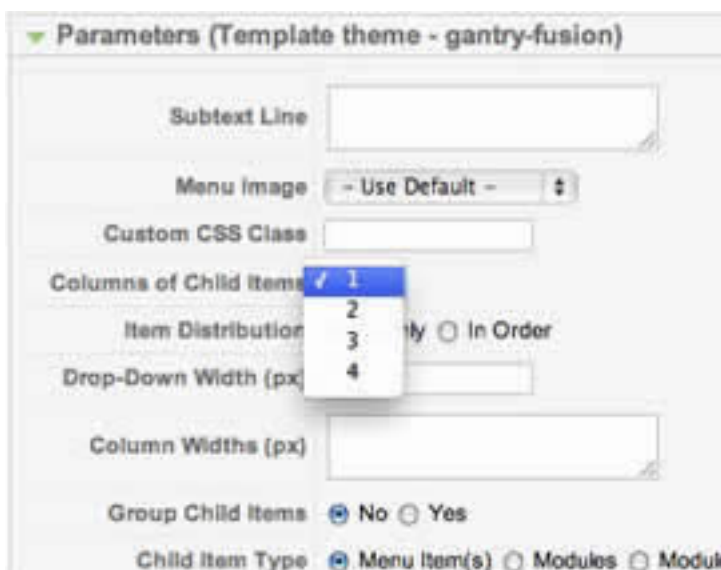
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### Advanced Fusion Parameters: Columns

#### *Menu Columns*

**Columns of Child Items** allows you to determine how many columns the **Fusion** dropdowns are presented in. You can have anywhere between a **single dropdown** to a **four column** dropdown.



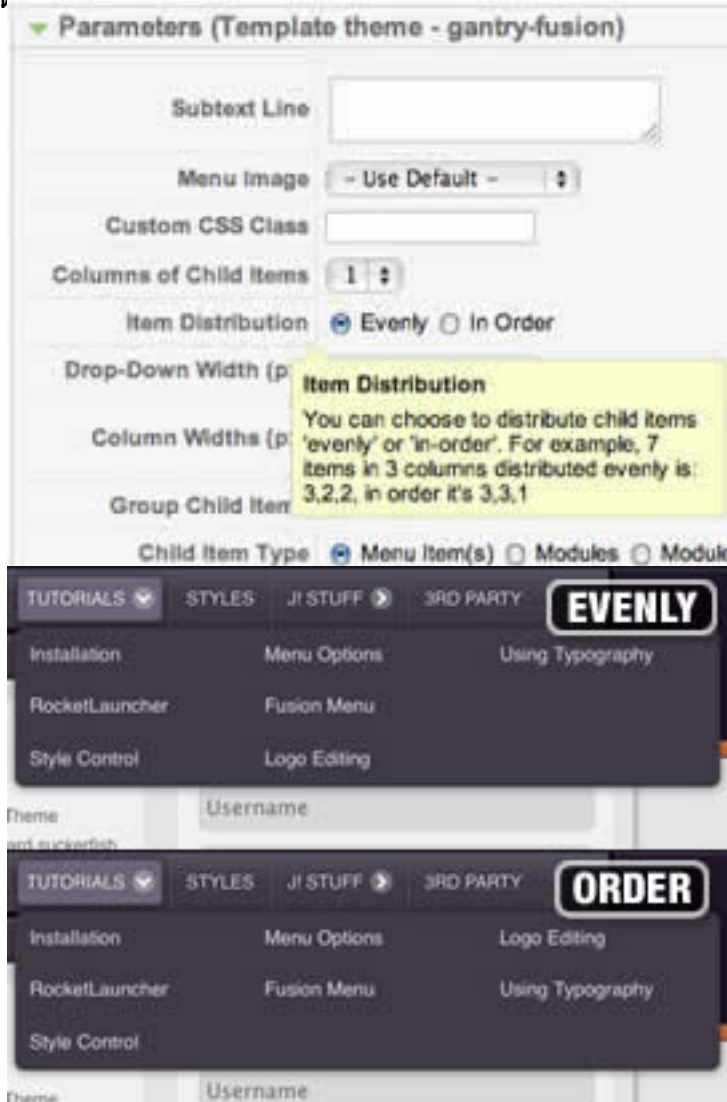
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Item Distribution allows you to control how the menu items are ordered in the dropdowns: if you choose 'Evenly' and have 7 items in 3 columns, Fusion will allocate a 3,3,1 distribution -



**NOTE:** When you select 'Evenly' for child item distribution, the dropdowns will be ordered as follows: Take default as 7 items, 3 columns, evenly distributed will be 3,2,2. If you select 'In Order', the dropdowns will be ordered as follows: Take default as 7 items, 3 columns, in order will be 3,3,1.

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Drop-Down Width (px)

Column Widths (px)

Group Child Items ☒ No ☐ Yes

Child Item Type ☒ Menu Item(s) ☐ Modules ☐ Module

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Username

Remember Me ☐

480px

640px

Drop-Down Width (px)

Column Widths (px)

Parameters (Template theme - gantry-fusion)

Subtext Line

Menu Image

Custom CSS Class

Columns of Child Items

Item Distribution ☒ Evenly ☐ In Order

Drop-Down Width (px)

Column Widths (px)

Group Child Items ☒ No ☐ Yes

Child Item Type ☒ Menu Item(s) ☐ Modules ☐ Module

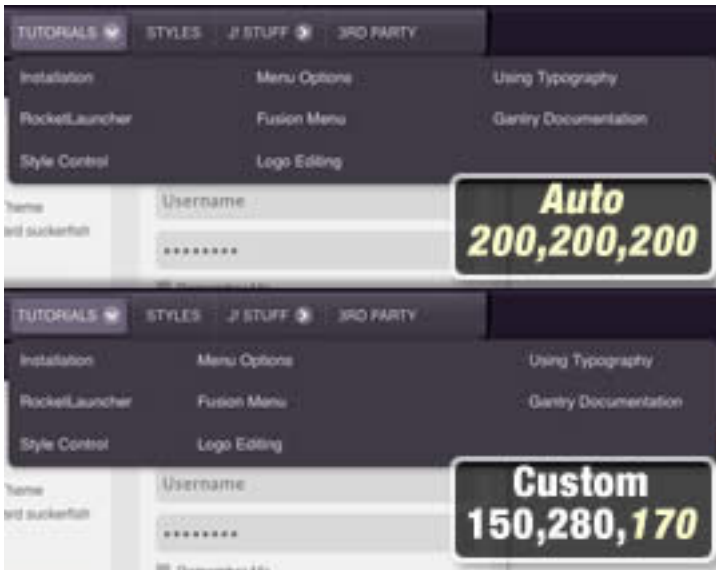
Drop-Down Width (px)  This is the menu width by default. Fusion automatically calculates the final width as 26

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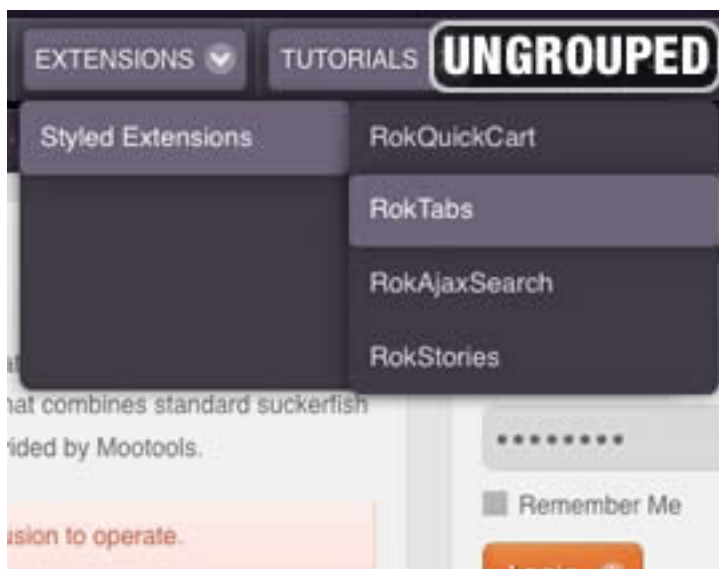
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### Advanced Fusion Parameters: Groupings

*What is Grouping?*

**Group Child Items** changes the behaviour of child items in the dropdown menus, instead of creating a dropdown for the immediate sublevel, this option places them inline. See below for an illustrated example of the differences:

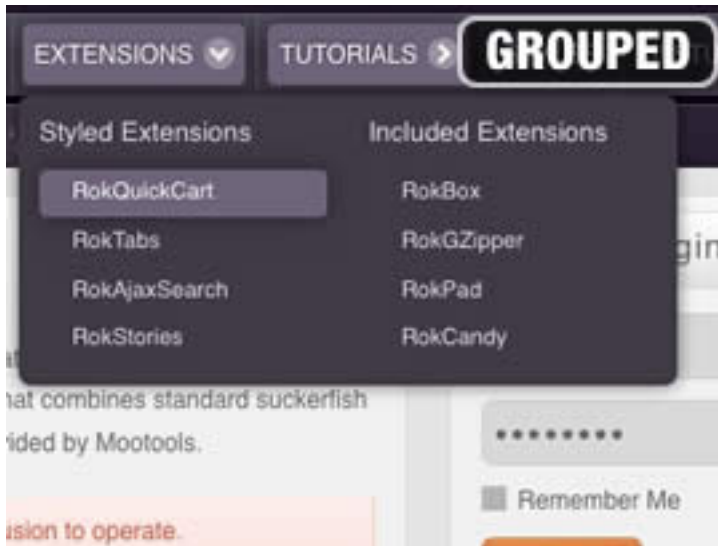




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Some Fusion parameters cannot be applied to root items. Only child items will then appear below the

A screenshot of the Fusion Menu configuration form. The form is divided into two main sections: 'ROOT ITEM' and 'CHILD ITEM'. The 'ROOT ITEM' section includes fields for Subtext Line, Menu Image (set to icon-no3.png), Custom CSS Class, Number of Child Items (set to 2), Item Distribution (radio buttons for Evenly and In Order, with Evenly selected), Up-Down Width (px) (set to 320), Column Widths (px) (set to 160), Group Child Items (radio buttons for No and Yes, with No selected), Child Item Type (radio buttons for Menu Item(s), Modules, and Module Positions, with Menu Item(s) selected), and a Subtext Line field. The 'CHILD ITEM' section includes fields for Subtext Line, Menu Image (set to - Use Default -), Custom CSS Class, Number of Child Items (set to 1), Item Distribution (radio buttons for Evenly and In Order, with Evenly selected), Up-Down Width (px), Column Widths (px), Group Child Items (radio buttons for No and Yes, with Yes selected), and a Child Item field. A yellow tooltip is visible over the 'Group Child Items' field, stating: 'Group Child Items Select this to group children under menu item rather than treating as a submenu'.

## Advanced Fusion Parameters: Modules



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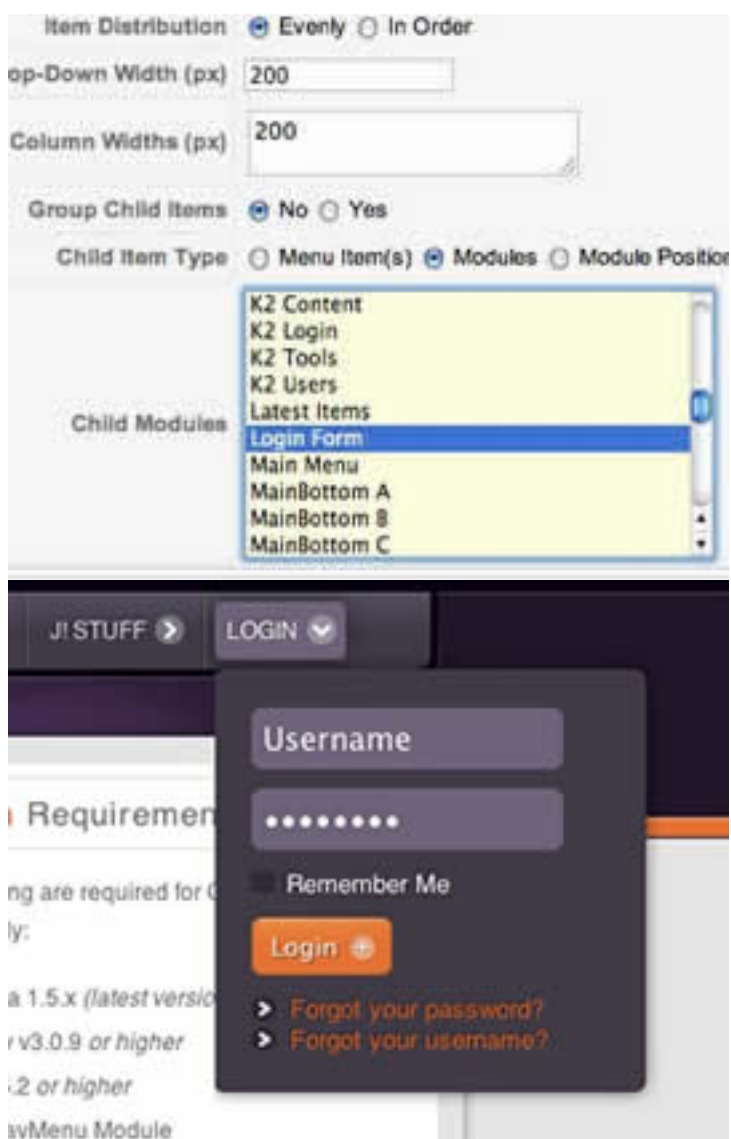
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**Fusion** is now capable of loading individual modules or entire module positions inside its dropdowns.

### *Loading Individual Modules*

Set **Child Item Type** to **Modules** to load all modules setup on your Joomla site in a list. Select the module you wish to display in the dropdown.



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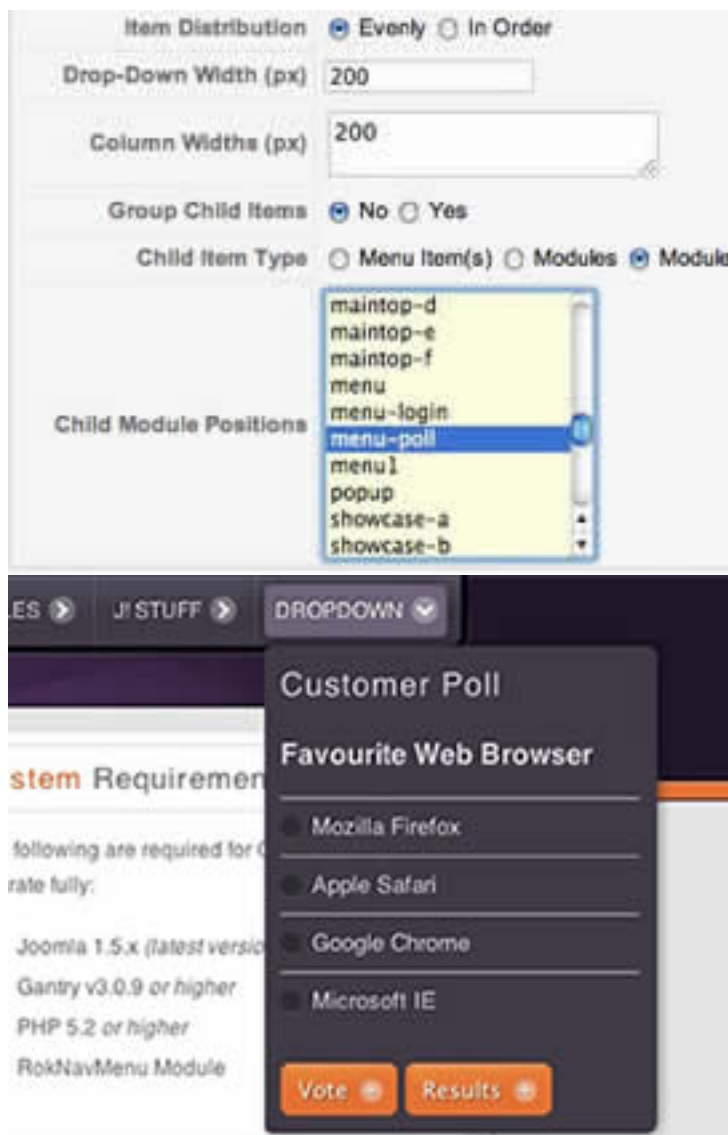
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### *Loading Module Positions*

Set **Child Item Type** to **Modules Positions** to load all module positions on your Joomla site in a list. Select the position you wish to display in the dropdown.



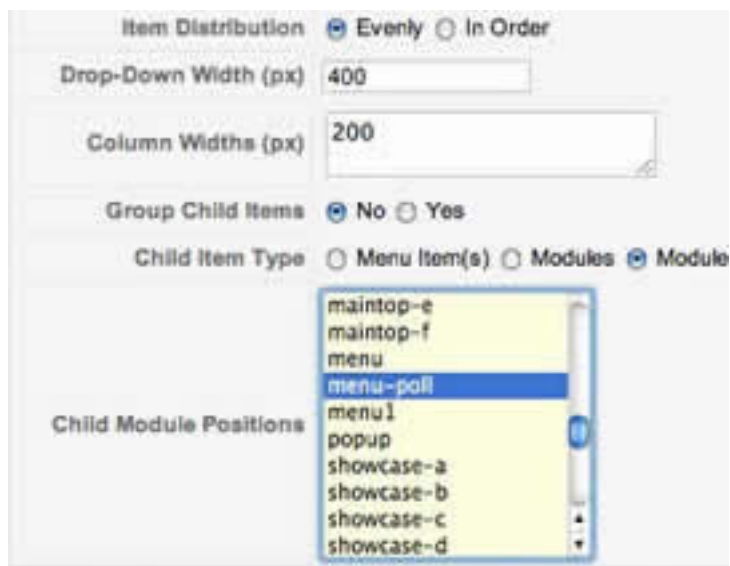
Below is an example of multiple modules appearing in a dropdown:

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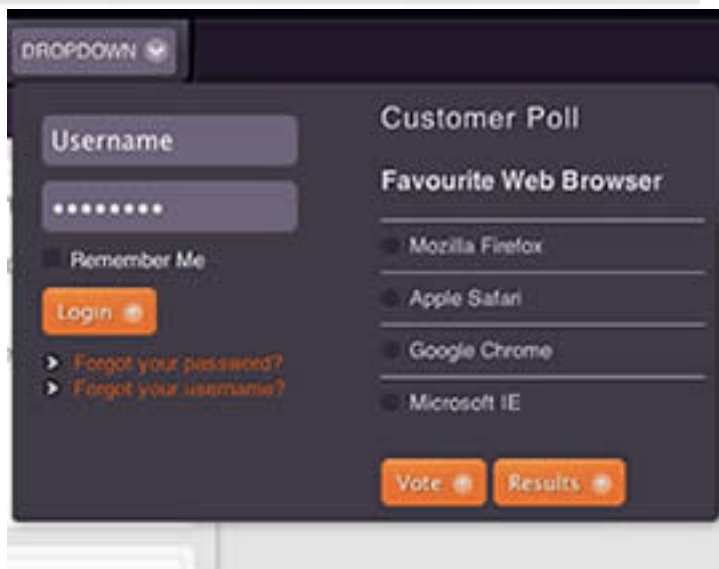
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The screenshot shows the configuration interface for the Fusion Menu. It includes the following settings:

- Item Distribution:** ☒ Evenly ☐ In Order
- Drop-Down Width (px):** 400
- Column Widths (px):** 200
- Group Child Items:** ☒ No ☐ Yes
- Child Item Type:** ☐ Menu Item(s) ☐ Modules ☒ Module
- Child Module Positions:** A list box containing the following items: maintop-e, maintop-f, menu, menu-poll (highlighted), menu1, popup, showcase-a, showcase-b, showcase-c, showcase-d.



The screenshot shows a web form titled "Customer Poll". It has a "DROPDOWN" menu at the top left. The form is divided into two main sections:

- Left Section:** Contains a "Username" field, a password field (represented by dots), a "Remember Me" checkbox, a "Login" button, and two links: "Forgot your password?" and "Forgot your username?".
- Right Section:** Titled "Customer Poll", it contains a "Favourite Web Browser" section with radio buttons for Mozilla Firefox, Apple Safari, Google Chrome, and Microsoft IE.

At the bottom of the form, there are two buttons: "Vote" and "Results".

## Template Configuration: Fusion Menu

Go to **Extensions** ▢ **Template Manager** ▢ **rt\_omnicron\_j15** ▢ **Menu Set** **Menu Control** to **Type** :

**Fusion-Menu**

, to load all the Fusion parameters.

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Menu			
	Show	Type	
MENU CONTROL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ON	Fusion-Menu	
SELECT A MENU	mainmenu		
POSITION	header-b		
ENABLE JAVASCRIPT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ON		
MENU OPACITY	1		
MENU EFFECT	Slide + Fade		
MENU DELAY	500		
MENU ANIMATION	Circ.easeOut		
MENU DURATION	300		
PILL	Enable	Duration	Animation
	<input type="checkbox"/> OFF	400	Back.easeOut
CENTERED DROP-DOWNS	<input type="checkbox"/> OFF		
ENABLE ID	<input type="checkbox"/> OFF		