Chaminade CIS 110-01: Introduction to W b Page Design University

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Course Description

This course will introduce the students to the design and implementation of World Wide Web pages using the Hypertext Markup Language (HTML). The class will use lectures, demonstrations, lab activities, and homework assignments to cover topics that include: principles of Web page layout, text formatting, tables, forms, images, and hosting of Web pages. Emphasis during the class will be on the individual construction of Web pages.

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Course Objectives

The course is intended to help the students to:

become familiar with the basics of Web page layout

- learn the HTML to implement Web pages
- . learn how to scan IMages and incorporate them into Web pages
- . be able to **construct** personal **Web** pages that are well designed, *informative*, functional, and responsible

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Text

There will be no official text book for this course. We will rely on the resources available on the Web, along with a set onf **on-line** notes prepared especially for **this** course.

Exercises

There are many software packages available on the market that allows you to create Web pages without knowing the underlying HTML code. But, at some point, in order to modify a Web page, to fix its problems, and to enhance it, knowing HTML becomes a valuable skill. Once you have learned the basics of HTML, it makes sense to use a Web creation software for practical applications. This course, however, will emphasize the creation of Web pages by using the HTML code. For the sake of developing HTML skills, you are not encouraged to use such packages as FrontPage, *Dreamweaver*, or *HotDog* software in *completing your* exercises. However, you are encouraged to learn how to use such tools when you are creating Web pages for your own use. (It's not difficult to determine whether or not such a software was used *M* Web page development, because an automatically created Web page contains many unnecessary—though

harmless--HTMLtags.)

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Project

An important requirement in the course is to develop a Web document with a type and subject of your choosing, modifying and enhancing its pages each week as you learn more techniques. These pages are to be submitted in four stages--corresponding to four projects assignments (PAs)--by uploading thetas to the server. These posting are due at the end of the due dates, which are indicated in the Schedule section of this Web site. On some occassions, class time may be used to work on these exercises. However, you are expected to spend additional time outside the class to complete the Project Assignments (PAs).

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Submitting One's Own Work

Each student is expected to write his or her own code. Although modern programming projects require extensive teamwork, one of the main goals in this class is that each student learn the basic Web development skills by practicing individually. You must distinguish between consulting your friends and discussing problems with them from copying other people's work. The penalty for copying in tests, quizzes, and project assignments is, for the first offense, a grade of F for all parties involved; for the second offense, an F for the Course.

Attendance

Regular class attendance is important since you are responsible for all materials covered in the class. University regulations limit the number of cuts a Freshman may take. Attendance Will be taken at all class sessions. Generally speaking, there will be no make-up quizzes, except in cases of excused absences for which prior arrangements will he necessary. Be sure to inform the instructor when you foresee that you cannot be present` for a scheduled quiz. A missed quiz receives a grade of 0.

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Requirements

Following are the class requirements. Refer to the section on Gradin for further details.

- . Project Assignments (4)
- . Class Attendance
- . Final Exam

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The project assignments on the Web server, at appropriate times, in order to be given full credit.

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Grading

The semester grade will be based on the following elements of your course responsibilities:

Project Assignments	180
Attendance	20
Final Exam	100

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The **following** guidelines will be used in determining the final grades.

A: >= 90%; B: >= S 70%; D: >= 60%; F: < 60%

Test and Quiz Dates are indicated in the Course Syllabus

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Grading' Criteria for Web Page Projects

- Y Web page projects will be graded on the following points.
 - 1. Do they satisfy all the requirements described in the problem statement'?
 - Are required objects--e.g., lists, links, tables-- present?
 - r Are the..; texts formatted as required? Are all the links valid?
 - Do they contain the informtion expected of them?

Are the Web pages designed well?

- Is the page design appropriate for the particular Web page?
- Is the page layout pleasing and readable?
- Is the color combination sensible'?
- Is it easy to navigate to other pages?

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Getting Help

For "quick" questions the **email** is the simplest way **to** contact me. Feel free to drop in at my office during <u>office hours</u> or to set up an appointments outside those hours. (I am around my office usually in the afternoon.)

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Wk Date	Topics	Readings/Exercises	Due
1/22	Introduction	Basic HTML Page Elements	*Project Description * Sample Project
	 Local System Web & Internet URL Objectives of Web Page Layout Design Steps in Creating Web Page Notepad 	Exercise No. 1	
1/29	W.L.D.L.	Text Formatting	
	Web Policy Formatting Text	Exercise No. 2	
	Formatting TagsNested TagsTags' AttributesSpecial Characters	Design Basics	
	Anacrophilia		
2/5	Uploading Web Page to the Server	Creating Lists	
	Lists		
	Unordered ListsOrdered ListsDefinition ListsNested Lists		
	Linking Web Pages		
	Link to Local FileLink to Another URLLink to Book Marks	Hypertext Links	
	External Linking		
	 Specifying Directory Paths Linking to FTP and E-mail Sites Linking Small Image to a Larger Image Linking to Sound and Video 		
4 2/12:	Including Images	Inserting Images	PA 1: Upload home page to the server (2/13)
	Downloading Free Clipart Inline Image Images & Texts Image as a Link	lmage As a <u>Link</u>	
	Enhan <u>cing Home Page</u>		
	Background Color RGB Image As a Backgournd Banner Transparent Image Horizontal Rule	Backgroun <u>d Color</u>	

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5 ; 2/19 Tables PA No. 2: Upload Tables sub-page 1 to the server (2/20) • Table Structure · Column Heading • No Border • Empty Cell Spanning Multiple UnitsControlling Table & Cell 2/26 Image Scanning PA No. 3: Upload **Forms** sub-page 2 to the server (2/27) Forms • Interactive Form Form Tag CGI Programs • Input Objects 3/4 Demonstration of Frames The Top 20 HTML Tags Demonstration of Some **DHTML** Features PA No. 4: Upload the complete Web document 3/11 Exam: 9:00 -11:00 consisting of the home

page and at least 3 subpages. (3/12)

Last day to for submitting PAs (with

Personal Web Page Guidelines

The World Wide Web offers you the means to gather all kinds of information from sources around the world. It also gives you an opportunity to share your information with a world-wide audience. Personal Web pages are a powerful medium for presenting a positive image of oneself or an organization.

Because they can be viewed by a large number of clients, you take on a serious responsibility when you create Web pages, especially when they are hosted on the Chaminade University server. You should try to make your pages attractive, user-friendly, accurate, and free of offensive contents. Personal Web Pages do not represent official position of the Chaminade University; however, as members of the University community, you are expected to act responsibly regarding the contents of your pages. While personal pages on the Web server are not monitored as a routine matter, materials that are brought to our attention and are determined to be objectionable maybe removed from the server.

The following guidelines should be observed in the creation and posting of any Web Page.

- . Pages should be checked for accuracy of contents and tested for functionality before they are posted.
- You should respect the copyrights of both text and image materials on the Web. (Examine different home pages on the Web for source of inspiration for designing your own home page but not for copying texts and other objects.)
- . Pages should be free of any text, image, sound, or other elements considered offensive. The same restriction applies to any links to URLs.
- . The *home page* should contain the e-mail address of the author, so that interested readers can contact him or her.
- . Each page should include the date of last update and the name of the author. The date of update informs the viewers the freshness of the page content. Author name is important especially for a large Web site, where many people might be responsible for updating various sections.

The following points should be observed for pages contained in the Chaminade Web site.

- . All file names and directory path names specified in Web page scripts should be in lower case (except when the Unix Operation System requires captialization in those names).
- . Images that you use should be store in a subdirectory, with names like "image" or "graphics".
- . All addressing in your Web documents should be relative, rather than absolute, so that changes in the overall directory structure will AM affect the links in your pages.
- . No active link to any page outside the Chaminade site should be incorporated into a Chaminade Web page unless it has the approval of the Dean.

I have read the Personal We	eb Page Guidelines and agree to them.
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E-mail Address:	~
We Page Address: e.g.,	ttp://c amina e.edu/~userid)
http://www.chaminade	e.edu/~

Submit the form.



Resources for Web Page Development

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Graphics Resources

Background Colors

You can view any color corresponding to a color name or its hexadecimal code.

Color Center

Another page that lets you view background colors dynamically. Written in Javascript.

Clip Art Universe

A source of free clip art, buttons, backgrouds, and other graphics objects

Everything Icon

Contains animated giffs, java applets, fractals, as well as clip art and other image samples Barry's Clip Art Server

Another source of free graphics elements

Business Clipart and Photos

Collection of free clipart and photos from various sources on and off the Web

Food Image Gallery

Some clipart samples which can be used in the Abigail project.

HTML Tutorials

HTML: Tutorial

An interactive HTML for beginners, organized by detailed topics but written in an informal style Webmonkey

An excellent set of tutorials at the beginners's level as well as the advanced level, on topics including HTML, Java, Javascript, DHTML, and Perl

32 Ways to Build a Better Web

HTML technology primer, including an introduction to advanced features of the Web page, such as the Cascaded Style Sheet (CSS) and Dynamic HTML (DHTML)

Design Basics

Considers such quesitons as: What is the purpose of your Web site? Who is it audience? How sophisticated should your page be? What about colors? How do you make pages more readable?

HTML Ouick Reference

List of HTML (version 2) tags for easy reference

Web Developers' Virtual Library

A rich source of tutorials and examples related to HTML, Multimedia, Web References, Java, Javascript, etc. Recommended for anyone involved with the creation of Web pages or is interested in what the Web technology offers.

HTML Cheatsheet

A quick reference to major HTML elements and their attributes

Learn More about HTML Elements

More complete explantion on HTML elements, with examples including, images, lists, fonts, blockquotes, etc. Provides on-line practice exercises

HTML fo the Rest of Us

Step-by-step guide to develop sophiscated Web pages, starting with basic HTML elements Frames Tutorial

A step-by-step instruction on how to create and modify frames on a Web page Using Frames

A description Web page frames--what they are and how to implement them--as part of a general HTML tutorial

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HTML Editors

Arachnophilia

A 32-bit HTML editor and workshop -- you can import fully formatted text, tables and outlines, import them into Arachnophilia and watch as they are converted into HTML code, complete with colors, fonts and styles.. Also supported: CGI, Frames, Java, JavaScript and C++ development. And new in this version -- Arachnophilia has an FTP client built-in, to automatically update your Web site. (From Tucow's description.) This is an excellent HTML editor.

Edit Pad

A great replacement for windows Notepad with multiple file support, drag and drop capabilities, and more. Switch between your different files easily with tabs at the top of the window, and manage your web pages with ease without a dozen windows open at the same time. This program is fantastic, try it out for yourself! (From Tucow's description.)

This software is called a postcardware, which in the words of author Jan Goyvaerts, means that "you may try out EditPad for a short while, but if you wish to keep on using it, you are kindly requested to say 'thank you' to the author by sending him a nice postcard. If everyone would say 'thank you' when someone else said or did something nice, this world would be a much better place." You can visit his Home page for more resources.

ZipCentral

Easy-to-use File Comression/Decompression Utility. Freeware

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Web Page Design

Cool Sites

Examples of well laid out Web pages, designed for personal use, professional groups, and institutional organizations

Tripod.Com

Offers Web page building wizards at various degrees of sophistication; free Web site space.

Family Web Page

"The hardest thing about making a family Web site may be explaining to your kids and doubting spouse why you're doing it in the first place." These pages offer some suggestions on how to design a family Web page.

Design Basics

Introduction to the design of a Web Homepage by asking questions like: "What is its purpose?"; "Who is the intended audience?"; "What level of technology is required?"; "How should the pages be organized?"

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Cyber Ethics

Web-Law FAO

Discussions on questions related to the copyright law as it relates to the Web

Cyberspace Law for Non-Lawyers

Explains the meaning of "Fair Use" of copyrighted materials

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Dictionary of Computer Terminology

You can search for almost any term related to the computer and the Internet, and this source will provide you with an explanation and related links.

World Wide Web Consortium

Standardization organization for the World Wide Web activities. Source of official specifications for the HTML, Style Sheet, and Document Object Model.

Index of HTML 4.0 Elements (Tags)

Lists all the tags available in HTML 4.0, with their discriptions, allowed attributes, and examples HTML 3.2 Reference Specification

Describes elements of HTML 3.2, most of which are still recognized by new browsers

Compact Index of HTML Tags

Alphabetical listing of common HTML tags and their explanations, examples of useage. More complete list of tags is also available from this site.

HTML Document Character Set

Table of Characters Set (Latin-1) used in HTML documents. E.g., for the browser to display e, type:

é or é

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Search Engines

One study of the range of the WWW covered by search engines has reported that the most comprehensive of the search engines reach only about 1/3 of all Web pages in 1999. The percentage of Web pages reached by many of the popular search engines is in one-digit figures. Given this fact, it pays to try several search engines when you are looking for speicific topics. Some search engines cover a wide range without going deep in the link hierarchy and return a large number of URLs, while ethers which make use of specific, narrowly stated queries, delve deeper into the link hierarcy, and return more sharply defined responses.

Northern Light

Covers the most comprehensive list of IM (1999)

Second most comprehensive, after Northern Light

Snap

Like Altavista, another comprehensive search engine

Hotbot

Good for specific and obscure topics

Google

Returns results ranked by popularity

Directhit

Similar to Google

Dogpile

Search the Web using several search engines simultaneously

Allows queries in ordinary English. E.g., "What is the capitol of Vietnam?"

LookSmart

Categorizes returned URLs in logica groups; seems to be better than many in returning relevant responses.

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Techniques

Including Interactive Maps in Web Page

Describes how you can insert Interactive Maps in your Web Page from several sources, with hints on good and not so good ways Cookie Crumbs

Answers such questions as "What is a cookie?"; "What's inside a cookie?"; "Is it safe for the user?"; "Where do you find it in your browser?"

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