

CTEC 4350 Sec. 001
WEB COMMUNICATION DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT III
Spring 2017

Tuesday & Thursday 2:00-3:20 PM, FA 411A
Course Web Site: <http://omega.uta.edu/~cyjang/ctec4350>

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Textbooks

- Web ReDesign 2.0: Workflow that Works. Kelly Goto & Emily Cotler. Peachpit Press (required)
- CSS, DHTML & AJAX (4th Ed.). Jason Cranford Teague. Peachpit Press (recommended)
- Modern JavaScript: Develop and Design. Larry Ullman. Peachpit Press (recommended)
- Additional required readings will be available online through the class web site.

Course Description

This capstone course of the CTEC sequence reviews and applies theoretical principles of communication, human-computer interaction, user experience research, and information architecture for effective communication over the Internet. The course includes web design, implementation, development and project management.

Student Learning Outcomes

After taking this class, students will be able to

- describe major design principles for organizational Web site communication
- analyze and implement information architecture necessary for interactive Web site communication
- plan and carry out effective workflow processes for Web design projects
- demonstrate competence in designing interactive Web site using proper scripting technology.

Course Communication

All course-related messages will be posted on the class web site (<http://omega.uta.edu/~cyjang/ctec4350/>). On this site you will find the course syllabus, the assignments, online readings, and other announcements. Course related information will also be sent to your University "MavMail" address, which is the sole official means of email communication with students. Students are responsible for checking their MavMail regularly. Students may contact the instructor via email, phone or in-person. When sending email, please put "[CTEC4350]" in the subject heading to clearly identify the email as relating to the course. It will ensure your important email gets instructor's prompt attention.

Evaluation and Grading

Your grade will be based on your performance in tests and assignments. There will be two major exams including the final during the semester. Points will be awarded for exams, assignments, and the project as described below. Project and assignment instruction will be delivered in class. Late submission of assignments and the project may not be accepted.

Test #1 (2/7/2017)	150
Test #2 (3/9/2017)	200
Assignments & In-class Exercises	250
Term Project	400
- Project critique sessions: 4/18/2017, 4/20/2017	
- Project due: 4/27/2017	
- Project Presentation Dates: 5/2/2017, 5/4/2017, 5/9/2017	

Total	1000
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Grade Scale

900-1000 --> **A**; 800-899 --> **B**; 700-799 --> **C**; 600-699 --> **D**; 0-599 --> **F**

Students are expected to keep track of their performance throughout the semester and seek guidance from available sources (including the instructor) if their performance drops below satisfactory levels.

The assignment of a grade of "I" will only be made for the reasons specified by university regulations. "Running out of time" or "not getting done" is not one of the specified reasons.

Expectations for Out-of-Class Study

Beyond the time required to attend each class meeting, students enrolled in this course should expect to spend at least an additional 9 hours per week of their own time in course-related activities, including reading required materials, completing assignments, preparing for exams, etc.

Make-Up Policy:

Exams must be taken during the scheduled exam time. A make-up exam can only be taken if the student presents documented proof of a valid medical excuse or extenuating circumstance. Medical excuses and extenuating circumstances will be verified and judged as warranting a special case by the instructor. If you have to miss an exam, you have to inform the instructor before the exam time to be considered to take a make-up exam.

No make-up will be granted for quizzes or in-class exercises.

Attendance Policy

At The University of Texas at Arlington, taking attendance is not required. Rather, each faculty member is free to develop his or her own methods of evaluating students' academic performance, which includes establishing course-specific policies on attendance. As the instructor of this section, I expect each of the students to be present for all classes. I have elected to take attendance but will not factor attendance into the grade.

Drop Policy:

Students may drop or swap (adding and dropping a class concurrently) classes through self-service in MyMav from the beginning of the registration period through the late registration period. After the late registration period, students must see their academic advisor to drop a class or withdraw. Undeclared students must see an advisor in the University Advising Center. Drops can continue through a point two-thirds of the way through the term or session. It is the student's responsibility to officially withdraw if they do not plan to attend after registering. **Students will not be automatically dropped for non-attendance.** Repayment of certain types of financial aid administered through the University may be required as the result of dropping classes or withdrawing. For more information, contact the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships (<http://wweb.uta.edu/aao/fao/>).

Other Important Class Policies

Disability Accommodations

UT Arlington is on record as being committed to both the spirit and letter of all federal equal opportunity legislation, including The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), The Americans with Disabilities Amendments Act (ADAAA), and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act. All instructors at UT Arlington are required by law to provide "reasonable accommodations" to students with disabilities, so as not to discriminate on the basis of disability. Students are responsible for providing the instructor with official notification in the form of a letter certified by the Office for Students with Disabilities (OSD). Only those students who have officially documented a need for an accommodation will have their request honored. Students experiencing a range of conditions (Physical, Learning, Chronic Health, Mental Health, and Sensory) that may cause diminished academic performance or other barriers to learning may seek services and/or accommodations by contacting:

The Office for Students with Disabilities, (OSD) www.uta.edu/disability or calling 817-272-3364. Information regarding diagnostic criteria and policies for obtaining disability-based academic accommodations can be found at www.uta.edu/disability.

Counseling and Psychological Services, (CAPS) www.uta.edu/caps/ or calling 817-272-3671 is also available to all students to help increase their understanding of personal issues, address mental and behavioral health problems and make positive changes in their lives.

Non-Discrimination Policy:

The University of Texas at Arlington does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, age, gender, sexual orientation, disabilities, genetic information, and/or veteran status in its educational programs or activities it operates. For more information, visit uta.edu/eos.

Title IX Policy:

The University of Texas at Arlington (“University”) is committed to maintaining a learning and working environment that is free from discrimination based on sex in accordance with Title IX of the Higher Education Amendments of 1972 (Title IX), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in educational programs or activities; Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Title VII), which prohibits sex discrimination in employment; and the Campus Sexual Violence Elimination Act (SaVE Act). Sexual misconduct is a form of sex discrimination and will not be tolerated. *For information regarding Title IX, visit www.uta.edu/titleIX or contact Ms. Jean Hood, Vice President and Title IX Coordinator at (817) 272-7091 or jmhood@uta.edu.*

Academic Integrity

All students enrolled in this course are expected to adhere to the UT Arlington Honor Code:

I pledge, on my honor, to uphold UT Arlington's tradition of academic integrity, a tradition that values hard work and honest effort in the pursuit of academic excellence.

I promise that I will submit only work that I personally create or contribute to group collaborations, and I will appropriately reference any work from other sources. I will follow the highest standards of integrity and uphold the spirit of the Honor Code.

Instructors may employ the Honor Code as they see fit in their courses, including (but not limited to) having students acknowledge the honor code as part of an examination or requiring students to incorporate the honor code into any work submitted. Per UT System *Regents' Rule* 50101, §2.2, suspected violations of university's standards for academic integrity (including the Honor Code) will be referred to the Office of Student Conduct. Violators will be disciplined in accordance with University policy, which may result in the student's suspension or expulsion from the University.

Student Support Services Available

UT Arlington provides a variety of resources and programs designed to help students develop academic skills, deal with personal situations, and better understand concepts and information related to their courses. Resources include tutoring, major-based learning centers, developmental education, advising and mentoring, personal counseling, and federally funded programs. For individualized referrals, students may visit the reception desk at University College (Ransom Hall), call the Maverick Resource Hotline at 817-272-6107, send a message to resources@uta.edu, or view the information at <http://www.uta.edu/universitycollege/resources/index.php>.

The IDEAS Center (2nd Floor of Central Library) offers **free** tutoring to all students with a focus on transfer students, sophomores, veterans and others undergoing a transition to UT Arlington. To schedule an appointment with a peer tutor or mentor email IDEAS@uta.edu or call (817) 272-6593.

The English Writing Center (411LIBR): The Writing Center Offers free tutoring in 20-, 40-, or 60-minute face-to-face and online sessions to all UTA students on any phase of their UTA coursework. Our hours are 9 am to 8 pm Mon.-Thurs., 9 am-3 pm Fri. and Noon-6 pm Sat. and Sun. Register and make appointments online at <http://uta.mywconline.com>. Classroom Visits, workshops, and specialized services for graduate students are also available. Please see www.uta.edu/owl for detailed information on all our programs and services.

The Library's 2nd floor Academic Plaza offers students a central hub of support services, including IDEAS Center, University Advising Services, Transfer UTA and various college/school advising hours. Services are available during the library's hours of operation. <http://library.uta.edu/academic-plaza>

Library & Research Assistance: University-level research requires university-level sources. Appropriate sources include scholarly and peer-reviewed journal articles, scholarly books, and credible news magazines and newspapers. The UTA Library <http://library.uta.edu/> offers a plethora of resources and subject specialists to help you select and locate appropriate sources. Find library staff at the Service Zone on the first floor of the UTA Central Library, by phone at (817) 272-3395, by text at (817) 727-8395, email at AskUs@uta.edu, or the chat widget on the library's homepage, <http://library.uta.edu/>. For a list of useful guides to help you start your research, visit: <http://libguides.uta.edu/>.

University Electronic Communication Policy

UT Arlington has adopted MavMail as its official means to communicate with students about important deadlines and events, as well as to transact university-related business regarding financial aid, tuition, grades, graduation, etc. All students are assigned a MavMail account and are responsible for checking the inbox regularly. There is no additional charge to students for

using this account, which remains active even after graduation. Information about activating and using MavMail is available at <http://www.uta.edu/oit/cs/email/mavmail.php>

Campus Carry

Effective August 1, 2016, the Campus Carry law (Senate Bill 11) allows those licensed individuals to carry a concealed handgun in buildings on public university campuses, except in locations the University establishes as prohibited. Under the new law, openly carrying handguns is not allowed on college campuses. For more information, visit <http://www.uta.edu/news/info/campus-carry/>

Student Feedback Survey

At the end of each term, students enrolled in classes categorized as lecture, seminar, or laboratory shall be directed to complete a Student Feedback Survey (SFS). Instructions on how to access the SFS for this course will be sent directly to each student through MavMail approximately 10 days before the end of the term. Each student's feedback enters the SFS database anonymously and is aggregated with that of other students enrolled in the course. UT Arlington's effort to solicit, gather, tabulate, and publish student feedback is required by state law; students are strongly urged to participate. For more information, visit <http://www.uta.edu/sfs>.

Final Review Week

A period of five class days prior to the first day of final examinations in the long sessions shall be designated as Final Review Week. The purpose of this week is to allow students sufficient time to prepare for final examinations. During this week, there shall be no scheduled activities such as required field trips or performances; and no instructor shall assign any themes, research problems or exercises of similar scope that have a completion date during or following this week unless specified in the class syllabus. During Final Review Week, an instructor shall not give any examinations constituting 10% or more of the final grade, except makeup tests and laboratory examinations. In addition, no instructor shall give any portion of the final examination during Final Review Week. During this week, classes are held as scheduled. In addition, instructors are not required to limit content to topics that have been previously covered; they may introduce new concepts as appropriate.

Emergency Exit Procedures

Should we experience an emergency event that requires us to vacate the building, students should exit the room and move toward the nearest stairwell, which is located on the left-hand side once you step out of the classroom (COBA 336), and then exit the building when reach the first floor. When exiting the building during an emergency, one should never take an elevator but

should use the stairwells. Faculty members and instructional staff will assist students in selecting the safest route for evacuation and will make arrangements to assist individuals with disabilities.

Schedule of Topics

The schedule of topics will be attached at the end of this document. The topics covered include

Define the Project, Develop Site Structure, Visual Design, Usability Evaluation, JavaScript, DHTML, Working with Forms, AJAX, Error Management.

The schedule and any update to it are posted on the course web site. ***As the instructor for this course, I reserve the right to adjust this schedule in any way that serves the educational needs of the students enrolled in this course.***

Emergency Phone Numbers

In case of an on-campus emergency, call the UT Arlington Police Department at **817-272-3003** (non-campus phone), **2-3003** (campus phone). You may also dial 911.

CTEC 4350 Class Schedule

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Week	Tuesday	Thursday
Jan 17, Jan 19	Introduction (ReDesign, Ch. 2) HTML & CSS Review	Define the Project (ReDesign, Ch. 3) JavaScript Basics (Ullman, Ch. 1-6)
Jan 24, Jan 26	JavaScript Basics (cont.)	JavaScript Functions (Ullman, Ch. 7)
Jan 31, Feb 02	JavaScript Functions (cont.)	Develop Site Structure (ReDesign, Ch. 4)
Feb 07, Feb 09	Test #1	Intro to DHTML (Teague, Ch. 11-12)
Feb 14, Feb 16	DOM & Basic Dynamic Techniques (Teague, Ch. 14, 16)	Browser and Object Models (Teague, Ch. 13, 14; Ullman, Ch. 9)
Feb 21, Feb 23	Events (Teague, Ch. 15; Ullman, Ch. 8)	Advanced DHTML Techniques
Feb 28, Mar 02	DHTML Recap	Visual Design (ReDesign, Ch. 5)
Mar 07, Mar 09	Lab	Test #2 Project proposal due(3/10, by midnight)
Mar 14, Mar 16	Spring Break	
Mar 21, Mar 23	Working with Forms (Ullman, Ch. 10)	Working with forms (cont.) Staging Site Launch
Mar 28, Mar 30	AJAX (1) (Powers, Ch. 9; Ullman, Ch. 11)	AJAX (2)
Apr 04, Apr 06	AJAX (cont.)	Error management
Apr 11, Apr 13	Usability Evaluation	Project Work
Apr 18, Apr 20	Project draft due Draft critique session	Draft critique session
Apr 25, Apr 27	Usability Evaluation Practice	Project revision Project submission: (4/28)
May 02, May 04	Project Presentation	Project Presentation
May 09, May 11	Project Presentation (May 9, 2:00 - 4:30 PM)	