

ORIGINAL COURSE IMPLEMENTATION DATE: September 2012

REVISED COURSE IMPLEMENTATION DATE: September 2020

COURSE TO BE REVIEWED (six years after UEC approval): September 2024

Course outline form version: 05/18/2018

# OFFICIAL UNDERGRADUATE COURSE OUTLINE FORM

Note: The University reserves the right to amend course outlines as needed without notice.

Course Code and Number: GD 202		Number of Credits: 3 Course credit policy (105)								
Course Full Title: Interactive Design I: Foundations in Web Design										
Course Short Title: Foundations in Web Design										
(Transcripts only display 30 characters. Departments may recommend a short title if one is needed. If left blank, one will be assigned.)										
Faculty: Faculty of Humanities De		Department (or program if no department): Graphic + Digital Design								
Calendar Description:										
Introduction to interactive mediums and the fundamentals of the interactive experience. A focus on information architecture, interface design (UI), and user experience (UX). Students will design for digital screens.										
Prerequisites (or NONE):	GD 157.									
Corequisites (if applicable, or NONE):										
Pre/corequisites (if applicable, or NONE):										
Antirequisite Courses (Cannot be taken for additional credit.)			Special Topics (Double-click on boxes to select.)							
Former course code/number:			This course is offered with different topics:							
Cross-listed with:			No ☐ Yes (If yes, topic will be recorded when offered.)							
Dual-listed with:			Independent Study							
Equivalent course(s):				If offered as an Independent Study course, this course may						
(If offered in the previous five years, antirequincluded in the calendar description as a note for the antirequisite course(s) cannot take this	with credit	be repeated for further credit: (If yes, topic will be recorded.)  □ No □ Yes, repeat(s) □ Yes, no limit								
	,	Transfer Credit								
Typical Structure of Instructional Hours			Transfer credit already exists: (See bctransferguide.ca.)							
Lecture/seminar hours	30	□ No ⊠ Yes								
Tutorials/workshops	10		Submit outline for (re)articulation:							
Supervised laboratory hours	15	<ul> <li>☑ No ☐ Yes (If yes, fill in transfer credit form.)</li> <li>Grading System</li> <li>☑ Letter Grades ☐ Credit/No Credit</li> </ul>								
Experiential (field experience, practicum, int										
Supervised online activities	5									
Other contact hours:		Maximu	Maximum enrolment (for information only):  Expected Frequency of Course Offerings:							
	60	Expect								
Labs to be scheduled independent of lecture hours: \( \subseteq No \subseteq \)			Annuall	Annually (Every semester, Fall only, annually, etc.)						
Department / Program Head or Director: Karin Jager				Date approved:	September 2019					
Faculty Council approval				Date approved:	January 2020					
Dean/Associate VP: Jacqueline Nolte				Date approved:	January 2020					
Campus-Wide Consultation (CWC)				Date of posting:	n/a					
Undergraduate Education Committee (UE	Date of meeting:	February 28, 2020								

#### **Learning Outcomes:**

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

- Recognize effective user interfaces
- Define user goals to inform a design solution
- Organize a body of information based on user experience (UX)
- Create flow charts, wireframes, and visual design mockups using low, mid and high-fidelity prototyping tools
- Apply typography to responsive interactive screens
- Design layouts using using a grid system
- Construct templates and/or pattern libraries
- Analyze visual media within a critical, contextual framework
- · Create assets for the web
- Source images ethically
- Demonstrate professional oral and written communication skills

#### Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (PLAR)

☑ Yes ☐ No, PLAR cannot be awarded for this course because

**Typical Instructional Methods** (Guest lecturers, presentations, online instruction, field trips, etc.; may vary at department's discretion.) Lectures, demonstrations, in-class discussion, in-class analysis of interface design, self-directed content development, out-of-class design development, online research, digital presentations.

NOTE: The following sections may vary by instructor. Please see course syllabus available from the instructor.

#### Typical Text(s) and Resource Materials (If more space is required, download Supplemental Texts and Resource Materials form.) Current ed. Publisher Author (surname, initials) Title (article, book, journal, etc.) Year Don't Make Me Think Revisited: A Common Sense $\boxtimes$ 1. Krug, Steve **New Riders** 2014 Approach to Web and Mobile Usability 2. Subscription to Lynda.com Association of Registered **RGD & Government** 3. Access Ability: A Practical Handbook on Web Design 2015 Graphic Designers (RGD) of Ontario 4. Norman, Don The Design of Everyday Things **Basic Books** 2013 John Wiley and About Face: The Essentials of Interaction Design 2014 Cooper, Alan Sons

Required Additional Supplies and Materials (Software, hardware, tools, specialized clothing, etc.)

Apple computer, flash drive, Adobe CC current edition, and digital prototyping tools

#### Typical Evaluation Methods and Weighting

Final exam:	%	Assignments:	100%	Field experience:	%	Portfolio:	%
Midterm exam:	%	Project:	%	Practicum:	%	Other:	%
Quizzes/tests:	%	Lab work:	%	Shop work:	%	Total:	100%

#### Details (if necessary):

### **Typical Course Content and Topics**

#### Week 1

- Course Objectives and Introduction
- · Good vs. Bad User Interface Design
- User Design Basics: Interacting with Users, Behaviors & Action, Simplicity, Learnability
- Visual Design Basics: Web Typography, Hierarchy, Composition, Color Palette, Form

#### Week 2

- Creating User Persona
- Evaluate qualitative versus quantitative methods of gathering user persona. Different methods of measuring data and how to use this research to your advantage. Assimilate target market and niches for your digital target audience.
- Making Effective Surveys for your Target Market
- · Research methods in creating a survey for your user persona. What makes a survey effective?
- Exercise 1 assigned

# Week 3

- Planning Site Maps & Flow Charts
- Learn about the implementation of information architecture and the planning process of data for an interactive site. Explore different methods on how to organize navigation, and layout of a site using sitemaps, flow charts, and sketches.
- Project 1
- · User Goals in Interface Design

#### Weeks 4 and 6

- Exploring Layout Grids
- Introduction to Prototyping & Wireframing Process using Adobe XD / Sketch & Invision
- Tools: Layouts, mockups, symbols, groups, images, icons

# Week 7 -9

- · Visual Design for Web Applications
- Create a style tile. UI pattern library for digital interfaces.
- Digital Typography: Explore font pairings for the web in google fonts, legibility on screens, typography rules for web applications
- Project 2

### Week 10 and 11

- Designing Icons and Graphics for Apps
- Tools: Layout design, configuration, planning process, app ideas, app icons
- · Understanding different UI interfaces for iPhone versus a tablet; examine graphics for the mobile app
- Project 3

# Week 12

Lab time

### Week 13

- · Group presentations.
- Last day of class.
- · Project 3: Final project due