ITSC 1191 Special Topics in Computer and Information Science – WordPress (1)

Topics address recently identified current events, skills, knowledge, and/or attitudes and behaviors pertinent to the technology or occupation and relevant to the professional development of the student. This course may be repeated if topics and learning outcomes vary. (1 Lec.)

Prerequisites: Prior working knowledge and experience with HTML and CSS or instructor approval.

Objectives: The objective of this class is to explore and apply aesthetics in the design and creation of graphical and structural elements for web pages using the popular Web Content Management System (CMS) WordPress.

Overview: During this course, you will be creating your own website using the WordPress Content Management System (CMS).

Competencies:

Successful completion of this course will enable the student to:

1. Install and configure Wordpress for a website.
2. Create a web site using Wordpress with both blog entries and static pages
3. Create and manage content using Wordpress
4. Find and use Wordpress plugins
5. Use and customize a Wordpress theme
6. Manage multimedia within Wordpress

Course Materials:

There is no required textbook for this course. We will be using online resources only.

Instructor Information

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Course Outline:

- Unit A: WordPress
  - Weeks 1-2 Discussion A
  - Week 3 Lab A1
  - Week 5 Lab A2
**Attendance/Participation Expectations:**

- Students will attend class and participate in class exercises and discussions.
- Students will follow the tutorials.
- Students will study and complete the assignments as designated by the instructor.
- Students will complete assignments and tests in a timely manner.

**Course Evaluation:**

You will accumulate course points for work done as follows:

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Your final course grade will be determined as shown:

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**Late Points**

A late penalty of 5 points per week will be assessed on any assignment that is turned in late. Late assignments will only be accepted for 1 month past the due date or on the final date of the course whichever is sooner.

You can access your current point total at any time during the semester in eCampus.

**Last date to withdraw with a W:** February 11, 2016

Your instructor reserves the right to modify the course requirements, assignments, grading procedures and other related policies as circumstances dictate. Additional exam or course information may be posted in the Announcements section of the course throughout the semester.
All students in this course are expected to abide by the rules and regulations as set forth in both the DCCCD Student Code of Conduct and the DCCCD Rules for Responsible Computing. Failure to comply may result in legal and/or disciplinary action.

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