BT-2500: WEB AUTHORING TOOLS

Cuyahoga Community College

Viewing: BT-2500 : Web Authoring Tools

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Subject Code

BT - Business Technology

Course Number:

2500

Title:

Web Authoring Tools

Catalog Description:

Introduction to industry standards for web page authoring and editing within an open-source Content Management System (CMS). Topics include principles of web design, file management, formatting, HTML, CSS, image optimization, publishing and managing web pages. Create your own website through a powerful content management publishing platform.

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Credit Hour(s):
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3

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Lecture Hour(s):
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2 Lab Hour(s):

2

Requisites

Prerequisite and Corequisite

IT-1090 Computer Applications, or IT-109H Honors Computer Applications; or BT-2040 Emerging Workplace Technology; or Business Technology department approval.

Outcomes

Course Outcome(s):

Utilize a web authoring Content Management System (CMS) to design and publish a live website by applying the principles of web design and usability.

Objective(s):

- 1. Create an administrator account for the web authoring CSM.
- 2. Construct the framework of a web site according to a newly created flowchart.
- 3. Summarize the key principles to web design and usability.
- 4. Produce a website product that integrates posts, pages, text, images and videos.

Course Outcome(s):

Identify needs and considerations for publishing to the web including resolution, color management, image types, file sizes and file compatibility and apply appropriate solutions.

Objective(s):

- 1. Produce numerous concepts that address a particular web design scenario and/or challenge
- 2. Demonstrate knowledge of the web publishing process and production terminology.
- 3. Identify and apply various aesthetic styles in the creation on the website.

Course Outcome(s):

Demonstrate how to edit and author HTML code using a text editor within the CMS to develop website content.

Objective(s):

- 1. Reproduce formatted stylized text from scratch using html code and tags
- 2. Indicate comprehension of basic HTML coding by identifying general HTML tags and language
- 3. Demonstrate the use of HTML coding to build elements of a website

Methods of Evaluation:

- 1. Demonstration
- 2. Hands-on lab projects
- 3. Detailed projects
- 4. Lab-based exams
- 5. Comprehensive project

Course Content Outline:

- 1. Introduction to Wordpress (WP)
- a. What is Wordpress?2. The Beginning
 - a. How WP works
 - b. Creating WP accounts
 - c. Accessing your site and admin controls
- 3. Creating content through posts
 - a. Posts vs. pages
 - b. Creating posts and pages (text editor and HTML)
 - c. Formatting posts, editor controls/view
 - d. Creating and editing links
 - e. Categories and tags
 - f. Formatting, revising, publishing and scheduling posts
- 4. Adding visual content
 - a. Media elements in WP
 - b. Adding and moving images to posts and pages
 - c. Creating image galleries
 - d. Adding content from other sites/sources
 - e. Working with Video
 - f. Integrating audio and video from sources such as YouTube
- 5. Creating pages
 - a. Creating from scratch
 - b. Creating from templates
 - c. Page hierarchies
- 6. Managing WP content
 - a. What is a Content Management System (CMS)?
 - b. Admin panel
- 7. Site appearance
 - a. Web design and style
 - b. Themes previewing and installing
 - c. Friendly user navigation
 - d. Creating and customizing menus
- 8. Plugins and widgets
 - a. What are they? How do they work?
 - b. Finding, selecting plugins and widgets
 - c. Installing, activating and updating plugins and widgets
- 9. Users and profiles
 - a. Introduction to profiles and roles
 - b. Editing profiles and roles
 - c. Adding and managing users
- 10. Configuring site operational settings

- a. Configuring general site settings
- b. Changing site reading, writing and language settings
- c. Categories, media and permalink settings
- 11. Site interactions
 - a. Introduction to interaction with an audience
 - b. Setting up discussions/comments
 - c. Managing comments and spam
 - d. Social sharing/media
- 12. Maintenance and security
 - a. Safety and security
 - b. Keeping WP up to date

Resources

Williams, B., Stern, H., Damstra D. Professional WordPress: Design and Development. 3rd ed. Hoboken, NJ: Wiley Publishing, 2016.

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Krol, K. Wordpress 4.x Complete. Packt Publishing, 2015.

Williams, Andrew, Dr. Wordpress for Beginners 2018: A Visual Step-by-Step Guide to Mastering Word Press. Dr. Andrew Williams, 2018.

Taylor, Mike. Step-by-Step WordPress for Beginners: How to Build a Beautifal Website on Your Own Domain from Scratch. 2016.

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