

COM 220: Digital Media Convergence Spring 2014

Homework:

In addition to the projects that you work on over the semester, I will also assign homework that will allow you to further explore the specifics of a tool or technique we have learned in class. Each homework assignment is worth 20 points for a total of 200 points.

Homework Descriptions:

1. Web Portfolio/Blog

- Tools: WordPress
- Understand how to set up, use and maintain a WordPress website

2. Vector Silhouettes

- Tools: Adobe Illustrator
- Understand basics of vector images
- Understand how to use Bezier curves and pen tool

3. Modular Type design

- Tools: Adobe Illustrator
- Understand modular design principles
- Manipulation of simple shapes to construct typographic forms

4. 100 Digital Photographs

- Tools: Digital camera (Canon G12 & G13)
- Understand photographic composition
- Understand photographic exposure

5. Image Manipulation

- Tools: Adobe Photoshop
- Understand cropping, borders and image/canvas size adjustments
- Understand tonal and color correction/manipulation (menu and toolbar techniques)

6. Audio narrative

- Tools: Audacity
- Understand audio recording
- Understand audio editing

7. Storyboards

- Tools: pencil and paper
- Understand the role of storyboards in the production planning process

8. Video Vignettes

- Tools: Digital video camera (Sony HXR-NX70U)
- Understand shot composition and variation
- Understand still vs. moving camera shots

9. 15-second Sequence

- Tools: Avid
- Understand the basics of editing video with Avid

10. Newspaper HTML Markup

- Software: TextWrangler
- Understand what various HTML markup elements are used for