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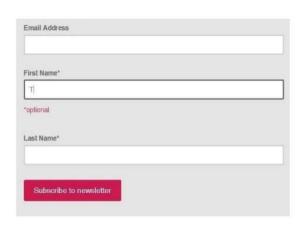
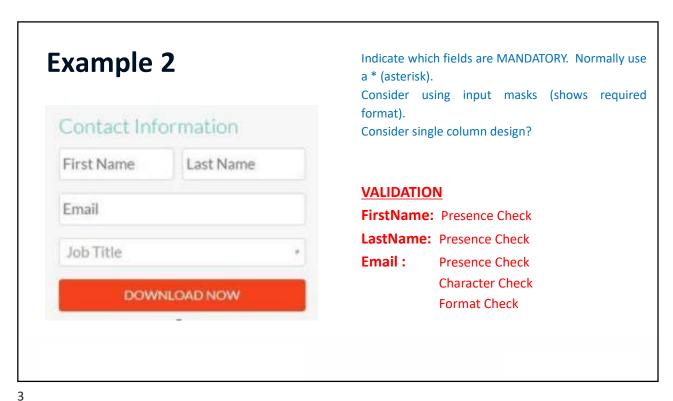**Input Design Guidelines**

UNIT 1C

EXAMPLES

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Example 1

Normally indicate which fields are MANDATORY. Normally use a * (asterisk).

In this example, OPTIONAL field has been specified.

Email Address

First Name*

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*optional

Last Name*

Subscribe to newsletter

VALIDATION
- **Email:** Presence Check
  Character Check
  Format Check

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Example 2

Indicate which fields are MANDATORY. Normally use a * (asterisk).

Consider using input masks (shows required format).

Consider single column design?

VALIDATION

FirstName: Presence Check

LastName: Presence Check

Email : Presence Check

Character Check

Format Check

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Example 3

Display error message "where" the error occurred & not at the bottom of the form.

Error message needs to be more specific. Avoid common error messages.

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VALIDATION

Card Number: Presence Check
Character Check (only digits)

Expiry Date: Presence Check
Date Validation (correct month 1 – 12;
Correct maximum days for month)

Secure Code: Presence Check
Character Check (only digits)
Length (must be 3 digits)

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