## **Project Guidelines**

Create an intro page for your project. Here you will describe the target audience and the purpose of your site. A purpose can be educational, engagement, e-commerce, informational etc. Highlight anything you did that you want me to know about. For example, if you used special typography techniques, image manipulation, Jquery functions, or included cross browser fixes. This page is mandatory and will affect your grade. Think of the project as a *final exam* not a homework assignment. Each of the following items is a checklist to help you. Leave your project on the server during finals week; it may take awhile for me to grade them. **Include your TOP TEN principles in this intro page.**Everyone will present their projects on last day of class- this is mandatory. Everyone will give feedback via an evaluation sheet on each others projects during presentations.

**Checklist for class project:**

* 3-5 pages
* 2-3 column design
* use faux column technique on columns
* use appropriate color scheme
* include an intro page (not part of the 3-5 pages)
* appropriate typography
* use AJAX to provide some functionality
* pur your TOP TEN principles in the intro page
* run project through the validator and attach results
* use STRICT or TRANSITIONAL DOCTYPE
* apply Interface Guidelines (see slides if you don't know, March 03, Jan 13)
* style NAV and LINKS
* Cross browser compatibility is a plus but not a requirement
* Must work in Firefox
* Use at least two images
* Apply appropriate padding and margins
* can be fixed or liquid
* must be XHTML
* CSS must be organized into groups and commented
* use contextual selectors - don't overuse classes
* use ID's for header, nav, maincontent, secondarycontent and footer. Can use more sections if you want
* use pseudoclasses for links
* use Jquery to produce an effect other than AJAX
* use absolute positioning on a small graphic or element (not a column)