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Your instructors and IAs are here to assist you in successfully completing your and your team's projects, communicate, problem-solve, and provide general support for you in your academic journey.

If you have questions, concerns, or need guidance, contact us through our course Slack channel or email. We will do our best to assist you in a timely manner.



Let's get started. We are all here to learn about communication, collaboration, and meeting milestones as a team.

Capstone Overview & Topic



Use this opportunity as students in this program to try something new in technology. It can be different, meaningful or impactful to you or a community.

Capstone - The Final Project

Capstone is where you need to shine as part of a team. The topic, demo, documentation, and roles best convey your skills as individuals and as a team under a time constraint. Final projects will be presented live to the industry.





Your capstone project must have:

- Project plan/schedule (Trello or JIRA)
- Documentation (concept, market analysis, real user personas, UX/UI, GitHub repo, presentation)
- Complete functioning mobile interactive prototype (MVP)
- Presentation-ready materials with data for industry review

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Readiness for Industry

Projects 1 and 2 prepared you, but you had more classes and help. Now, you still have help, but your team will have to work harder in communication, planning, weekly meetings, and reaching milestones to show the industry that you can meet the demands of the workplace.

Plan Together:

- Communication and collaboration displays are more important now than ever. Show us how you did this as a team.
- Be technical, be specific, don't make excuses with your team.



Capstone Topic

Like your previous projects with constraints, the capstone project will demonstrate the team's ability to **solve a real-world problem with market and industry** examples, so research, data, and *real references are required*.

This project will showcase multiple (at least two) platform technologies utilizing hardware within the device. It is full-stack and incorporates a defined industry that should require no explanation.

What will your software solve for the user(s)?

Review Past Projects on D2L



Capstone Project Deliverables

- Concept to completion documentation and reports
- Must have native **iOS**, or **Android** connected features
- Utilize security (authentication) and cloud services
- Advanced front/backend development
- Complete UX flow, wireframe documentation
- Full UI development-ready kit
- Print-ready proposal, branding/marketing, social media, and print promotional materials
- Working MVP-ready interactive software
- Final presentation slides + demo + live presentation



10 Weeks

Team design and development time together.

13 Weeks

Total time from now, until the final presentation.

Capstone Project Expectations

Design

Communication

Collaboration

Contribution

Design research

Development questions

IA & mind mapping

UX/UI

Marketing materials

Print assets

Website design

Weekly reporting

Project testing

Development

Communication

Collaboration

Contribution

Development research

Design questions

Front end/back end

GitHub management

Security

Tech overview/rationales

Code review

Weekly reporting

Project testing

The Team

Communication

Collaboration

Contribution

Weekly standup

Documentation

Planning milestones

Meeting milestones

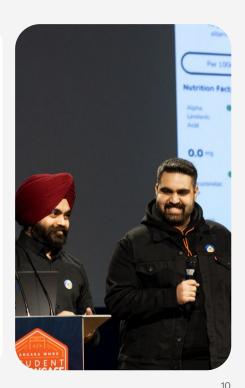
Review/reflection/learning

Team work

Meeting outside of class

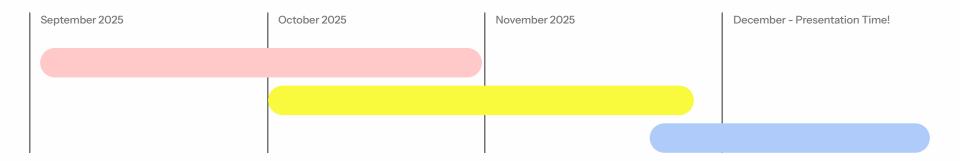
Weekly reporting

Project testing



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Capstone Schedule





Phase 1 Concept + Design + Backend

Form your team and idea with approval from the instructor. Identify the market, personas, interviews, and planning for the back end/security. Set and keep to your weekly group meeting time - treat this like an internship.



Phase 2 UX/UI + Alpha Build

Design and development for your Alpha build. UX is crucial for all team members to review, understand and lock before moving on to UI and branding. Complete your back end and prepare your skeleton front end.



Phase 3 Beta Build +Demo Preparation

Continue the pace as a team, completing, testing, and polishing the front end. Work on marketing materials, documentation, a promotional landing page, and preparation for presenting your MVP to the industry.

Capstone Implementation Plan



Phase 1 Research & Design/Development

Work as a team to research, document, and plan with your other courses in mind. Capstone will be connected to some, but not all, of your WMDD courses.

Phase 2 *UX/UI & Development*

Work as a team, preparing the design and development side of your project to meet the weekly milestones.

Communicate on Slack and document your work.

Phase 3 Marketing & Demo

Final phase of polish. Keep to your plan so the team is not crunching to meet the final deadline. It shows when a team remains on time and is not overworked.

Capstone Milestones

01 Phase 1 02 Phase 2 03 Phase 3

Week 1

Week 2

Week 3

Week 4 - UX feature complete

Week 5

Week 6

Week 7

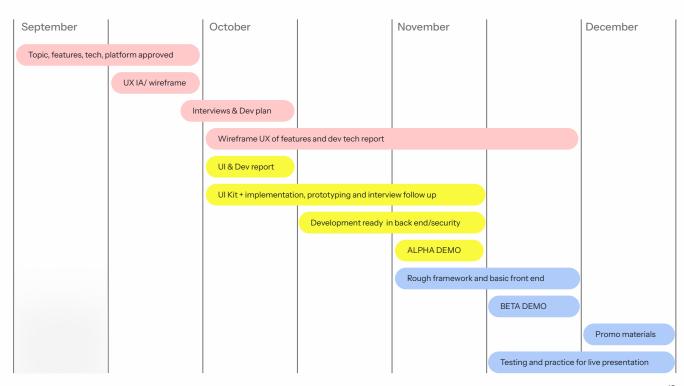
Week 8 - Alpha build demo

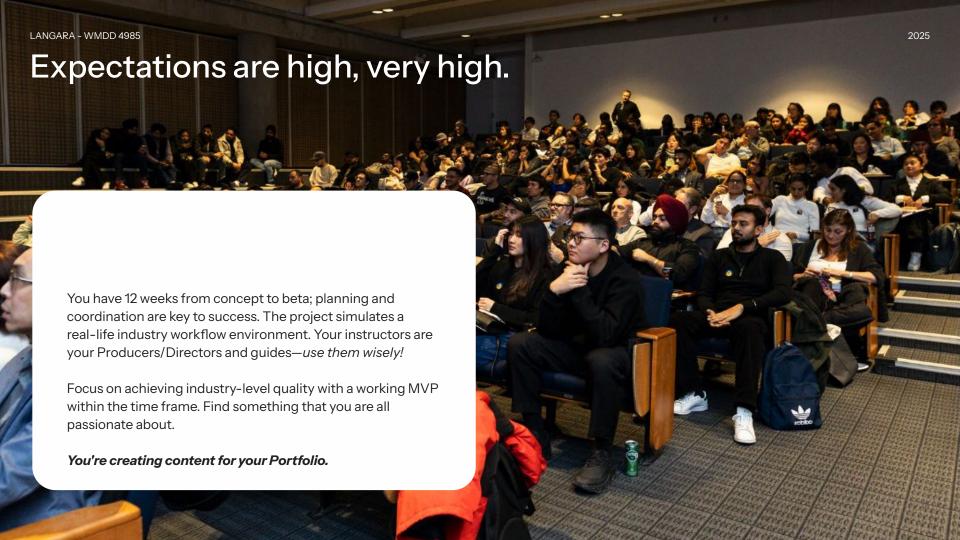
Week 9

Week 10 - Beta build demo

Week 11 - Code freeze

Week 12





Come up with a plan as a team.

Everyone has a voice and contributes to the project.

What can we do on mobile that we can't with any other software/hardware integration?

iOS or Android



Brainstorm Together:

- What tech-related problem can you solve/service?
- How can your team showcase everyone's skills?
- What else can be shown off, device-specific, or the use of hardware/external components?
- **Who** in your project space can you speak to and showcase their frustrations addressed through software?
- How will your project make the **team** stand out?
- Monetization, compulsion loop?
- What will fit into the MVP and project scope? You are building a vertical to show off your main feature(s)

REMEMBER

The Most Important Part.

Ask any past Capstone team.

Communication is key this semester with classes separating members. Use Slack, email, shared drive... whatever the team needs to use.

Set team meeting times now so everyone can meet and stay in touch; this is essential for the success of your project.

Time to form your teams



You get to pick your team, but each team must have equal developers.

The Capstone is a design and development-heavy project, so manage your scope wisely.

Thoughts?

Questions?

Project Ideas?

Getting Started

In your teams, start discussing, researching and documenting at least **three** possible projects to propose that meet all the outlined requirements.

Your project focus must meet the requirements of your **development** and **design** classes. Incorporate as much class content as possible. Remember, this is your final project, now is the time to shine!

3. The team, topic, and basic plan report are due before the next class.

Thank you

Good. Fast. Cheap, pick two.

Larry Wall

