## CIS 155 Web Development I Final Project Tips

## *Here are some tips to help you out:*

## Before you begin coding:

## Read each of the information files before you launch into coding the site

## Gather content, so that you know what will be on each page (see the “stealing” tip below)

## Sketch what you imagine the site to look like before you start coding (these are your wireframes) – the boxed areas in your wireframe sketches will become the main sectioning/layout parts of the page

## As you code:

## HTML

## Create your main layout (sectioning) areas in the HTML, and get your major parts working before you start styling things

## Keep things simple at first so that you can make the site pages work before you start adding extra features

## CSS

## The home page should have its own style and structure distinct from the movie pages

## The movie pages should share the exact same CSS, so create one set of styles for the movie pages to share – essentially, you have just one layout to create that all movie pages will use – this way, when viewers click between movie pages, the only thing about the page that changes is the content

## In general:

## Since you were not provided any name or branding for the movie house, you will need to invent it – be as creative with this as you would like! (note the “stealing” tip below)

## Work the requirements list; you can go beyond it with fun, engaging animations, etc. but deliver on requirements first

## Don’t overthink the reports – for example, you can literally write the charter from everything you find in the information files, so use those when creating milestones, etc.

## Pay attention to your time so that you hit due dates

## Go ahead and “steal.” Huh, you say? Yup, it is okay to get content that is already out there. I need to stress here: content. That is the stuff that goes onto the page. The code you write must be your own—this is a coding class, after all. You are welcomed to just make it all up, too, but if you find something out there, including a graphic or logo or text, that you want to add to your site, you can. You aren’t being graded on content—notice this in the rubrics. You shouldn’t take credit for it, as in “look what I wrote” (that is plagiarism), but again no one is asking you to write fabulous content or create spectacular graphics to create your website (though, if you want to you can, especially noting this may be one of your skills already). This is an academic setting, and as such copyright regulations allow for this type of use under what is called the fair use guidelines. You should always take the subject of copyright seriously, and, generally-speaking, avoid using someone else’s work without permission. Never take credit for someone else’s work. If you aren’t sure, then don’t do it. Here are some links you can reference if you wish to learn more about it. <http://www.copyright.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/04/CR-Teach-Act.pdf> <https://www.copyright.gov/circs/circ21.pdf> <https://www.copyright.gov/fair-use/more-info.html> <http://libguides.olympic.edu/c.php?g=232092&p=2901797>