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Design Document

When trying come up with the inspiration for the style guide, we looked to the examples and slides given to us in D2L. As you see in our style guide, we liked the idea of a vertical navigation/ table of contents for navigating through the style guide. WHen designing the style guide, we tried to keep our design philosophy in mind. For the typography, we used w3schools to browse web safe fonts. We found that Palatino Linotype was the most appropriate for the type of website that we are creating. This font shows the professional side of the site while still giving the feel is a community based web site. For the navigation, we thought that a vertical navigation list would be most appropriate for this style guide. This helps avoid excessive scrolling for the user. The color palette keeps true to the site's palette. The development process coincided with the designing of the UI styles. We went down the list of what the style guide needed or what we thought the site needed and designed that style.

The division of labor was always somewhat a group effort in the sense of we basically all helped each other with little bits of advice here and there. Majority of the style decisions, except for color were done by Stephen and Jacob. Kade and Jacob were in charge of typing up styles.css to import into the styledown. Stephen was in charge of the design document. Kade was in charge of styledown import and table of contents for the style guide itself. Finally, Tomi did a little bit of troubleshooting for the group here or there.

Some of the easier parts of this process was typing oup the styles.css document and coming up with the styles to be used on the ste and the style guide. Some of the more challenging aspects of creating the style guide was getting styledown to work. Secondly, we had trouble installing styledown on some computers we tried to work on. Some computer's would download it just fine while others did not. Another less challenging, but still minor issue that we came across was trying to find the time to get together.

Something we would do differently in the future is installing styledown on a non campus computer.