

Assignment 4 - The Perfect 404

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For Georgian College's website: <https://www.georgiancollege.ca/>, I feel that the primary user(s) of this site are the students.

Students access the website for all of their daily needs about the school, including Email, maps of the campus, blackboard access to check grades and assignments, etc.

Secondary users would be the staff and professors of the college, as they also use the website on a daily or an almost daily basis, in order to access the databanks where all the information of the school and its students are stored, as well as to access the email features of the site.

Tertiary users might include parents or family members of the two aforementioned groups, as they may be curious about the school or what features their friends and family members get out of being at the school.

The features a 404 page should have include:

The title of the main site - Georgian College - So the user knows that they are still on the Georgian college website, alleviating some confusion.

A 404 error message - "We're sorry, the page you were looking for does not exist."

Navigation links that are shared across the site - The header and footer should still be available, even if the main page that the user was searching for doesn't exist. It helps keep the theme of the site consistent, and can help a user navigate back to an existing page.

A link back to the previous or main page - "Click here to go back to our main page." The user should be able to go back to the last existing page they were on so that they will be able to try and find the page they were looking for. This link is essential for user experience so that they do not get lost. Some users, especially the elderly or the very young may not think to click on a logo as a link back to the home page so a big "CLICK HERE" to go back in their face is the best option.

Wireframe:



Link Link Link Link Link

Page Not Found

The page you were looking for doesn't exist.

Click here to go back to the main page.



Info:

Blah

Blah

Blah

Campuses:

Blah

Blah

Blah

For my final web page design, I have included a file called altindex which is basically a step between the wireframes, and the final version, using images of the Georgian website in the header and footer instead of the coded elements, just to get a feel for the look.