WagMore Style Guide

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(Pulled out from various style guide sources for python an html/css and modified accordingly)

Naming Conventions

The following naming styles are commonly distinguished:

- b (single lowercase letter)
- B (single uppercase letter)
- lowercase
- lower case with underscores
- UPPERCASE
- lowerUpper

Names to avoid:

- UPPERCASE
- UPPER CASE WITH UNDERSCORES

Format (HTML/CSS)

Use only lowercase.

All code must be lowercase: This applies to HTML element names, attributes, attribute values (unless text/CDATA), CSS selectors, properties, and property values (with the exception of strings).

```
<!-- Not recommended -->
<A HREF="/">Home</A>

<!-- Recommended -->
<img src="google.png" alt="Google">

/* Not recommended */
color: #E5E5E5;
```

```
/* Recommended */
color: #e5e5e5;
```

Format (Python)

```
Yes:
# Aligned with opening delimiter.
foo = long function name(var one, var two,
                         var three, var four)
No:
# Arguments on first line forbidden when not using vertical alignment.
foo = long function name(var one, var two,
    var three, var four)
Yes:
# Aligned with opening delimiter.
def foo()
      print('hello')
No:
# Forbidden to align code body at the same line as prototype
def foo()
print('hello')
```

Commenting Guidelines (Python)

Comment your code. Entire commented lines should begin with # and one space.

Short comments can be placed after code preceded by two spaces, #, and then one space.

```
# Create histogram of frequency of campaigns by pct budget spent.
hist(df$pct.spent,
    breaks = "scott", # method for choosing number of buckets
    main = "Histogram: fraction budget spent by campaignid",
    xlab = "Fraction of budget spent",
    ylab = "Frequency (count of campaignids)")
```

Commenting Guidelines (HTML/CSS)

80 Characters Wide

Where possible, limit CSS files' width to 80 characters. Reasons for this include

- the ability to have multiple files open side by side;
- viewing CSS on sites like GitHub, or in terminal windows;
- providing a comfortable line length for comments.

```
/**
 * I am a long-form comment. I describe, in detail, the CSS that
follows. I am
 * such a long comment that I easily break the 80 character limit, so I
am
 * broken across several lines.
 */
```

Format (HTML/CSS)

Indent by 2 spaces at a time.

Don't use tabs or mix tabs and spaces for indentation.

```
  Fantastic
  Great

  .example {
   color: blue;
}
```

Always declare the document type as the first line in your document (only upper case):

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
```

Code Organization

- don't include CSS in the same HTML file; link to external style sheets.
- Organize sections of code by component.
- Develop a consistent commenting hierarchy.
- Use consistent white space to your advantage when separating sections of code for scanning larger documents.
- When using multiple CSS files, break them down by component instead of page. Pages can be rearranged and components moved.

```
/*
  * Component section heading
  */
.element { ... }

/*
  * Component section heading
  *
  * Sometimes you need to include optional context for the entire component. Do that up here if it's important enough.
  */
.element { ... }

/* Contextual sub-component or modifer */
.element-heading { ... }
```

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