

## Challenge 2 / Building a Portfolio from Scratch

<https://stephcambria.github.io/Stephanie-s-Portfolio/>

Like with the first challenge, the very first step I took was outlining the flow I wanted in my html and css files, as well as creating a base reset file. By adding comments in my files before building any html or css, I was able to keep an organized outline of everything I wanted to make. From there, I added the initial html skeleton, placeholder text and images, and began to build the core layout in css.

I knew I wanted an extremely minimal style, so that the images were the main focus and could speak for themselves. This proved harder than I thought it would be! Because of the white background I set, whenever something was out of place, or floating in the wrong way, I would go in and change the background colors of my sections so that I could see where things were actually being placed. For some reason, I had trouble resizing my images and still getting them to display how I wanted them to, so I decided to have the main project stay at the very top of my layout, and have the placeholder images float in a grid below it. Technically I don't think I got the first project to display bigger than the others (especially on mobile view), but at the very least I succeeded in making it the main focus on a desktop and tablet screen.

To be honest, I was shocked at how easy it was to adjust the rest of my mobile viewing, since I wasn't all that confident with media queries. I did basic troubleshooting on google, but I managed to figure out the majority of my media query issues through simple trial and error on my own. Getting the about section to display correctly on mobile definitely gave me the most issues. I knew the solution would be simple, like it always is, but I also knew I would never really learn it unless I exhausted all of my options. The real problem? I was adjusting my individual elements (the image, the header, the text box) when all I needed to do was mess with my <div> container I set in the about section. For this one, I ended up googling what to do, and found a solution that said to set as many display properties for mobile as possible. It ended up fixing everything perfectly. I'm going to look into this one more to really understand how it works for future reference.

Due to time constraints on my end, I decided to hide the navigation display on mobile devices since I couldn't get it to fit with the rest of my layout.

Overall, I've left this project feeling far more confident than when I began! All of the basic html and css was a breeze, like getting all of my internal and external links to work correctly. I would love to go back into this project once I have a better grasp on JavaScript and see what else I can do with it.

Below are screenshots of the deployed application in both desktop and mobile view:

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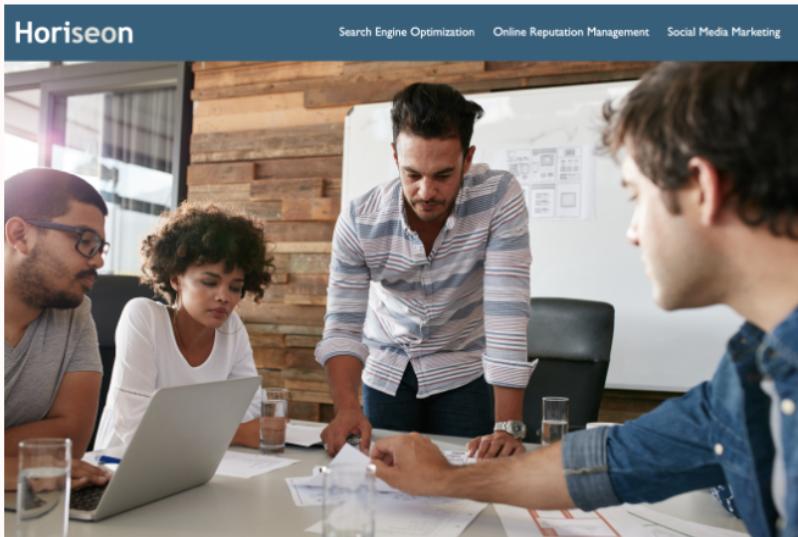
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