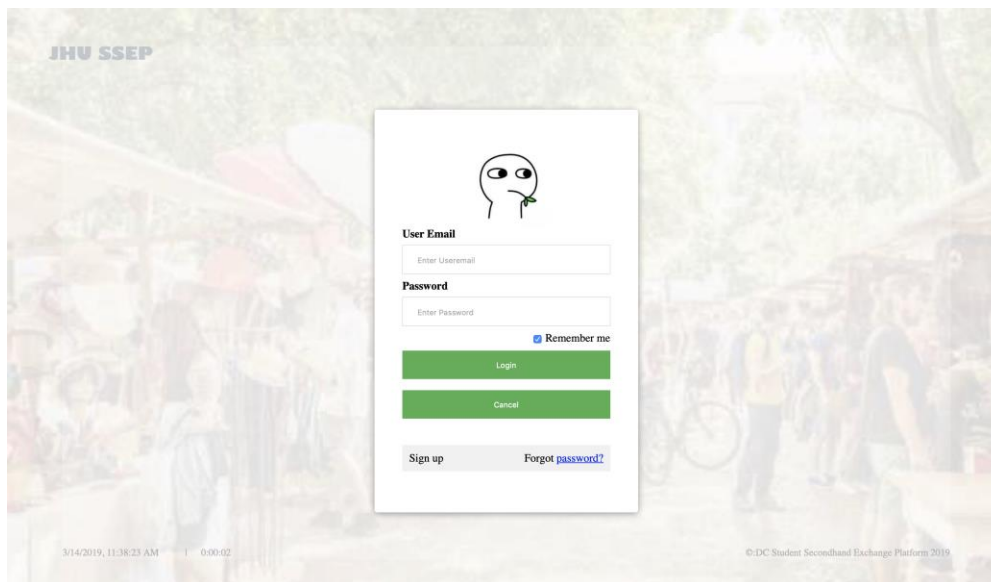


# User manual

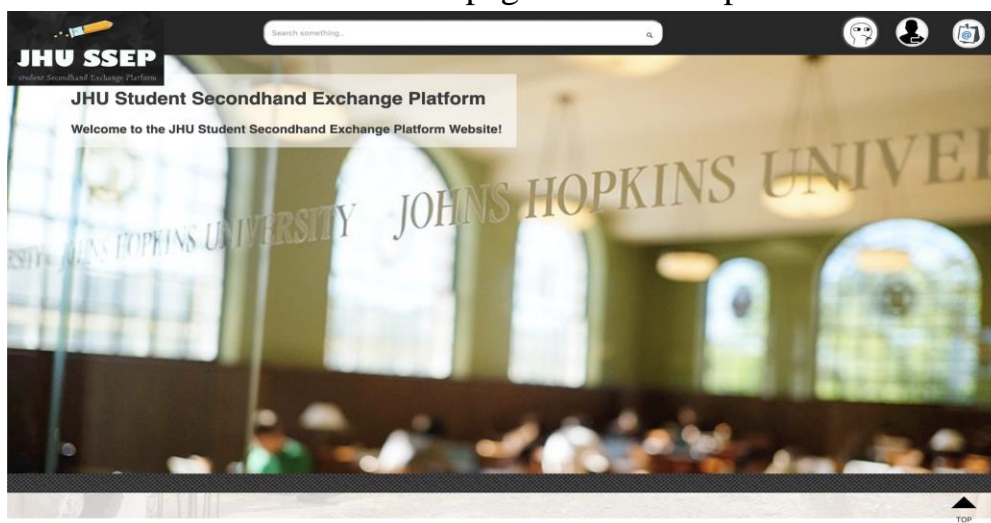
## For users:

This website is designed for JHU students as an online platform to exchange secondhand products. To protect users' information, the website requires every user to login before they can access the website.

Login page: Every user needs to enter their user email (must include @jhu.edu) and password to compare with the existing database. Once their information is matched with the database, they will be automatically transferred to the homepage. If the user is a JHU student and new to the website, he can click the “Sign up” button to register. Then reenter the information to log in and continue to use the website.

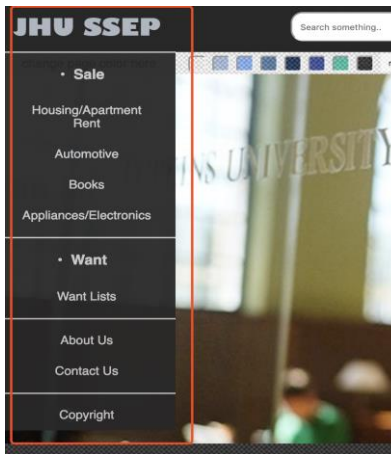


Below is the main homepage when first opened.



The top bar is a fixed menu section with web logo, search function, developer page, log in/out button and contact us button (from left to right). This menu bar will be displayed on each page and if users want to go back to the homepage, they only need to click the picture and it will link back to homepage immediately.


When user put the pointer on the logo/ “JHU SSEP” on the left of the menu bar, a drop-down menu will appear with all the available lists of products under sale and want section. “About Us” is mainly to introduce the website background. “Copyright” will link to the copyright located on the bottom of each page. “Contact Us” will be introduced later.




Also, the default theme color of the website is black. But every user can choose their favorite color as the theme color by putting the pointer on the top menu bar. There is a color column which user can type in RGB numbers or click “random” to change the color.

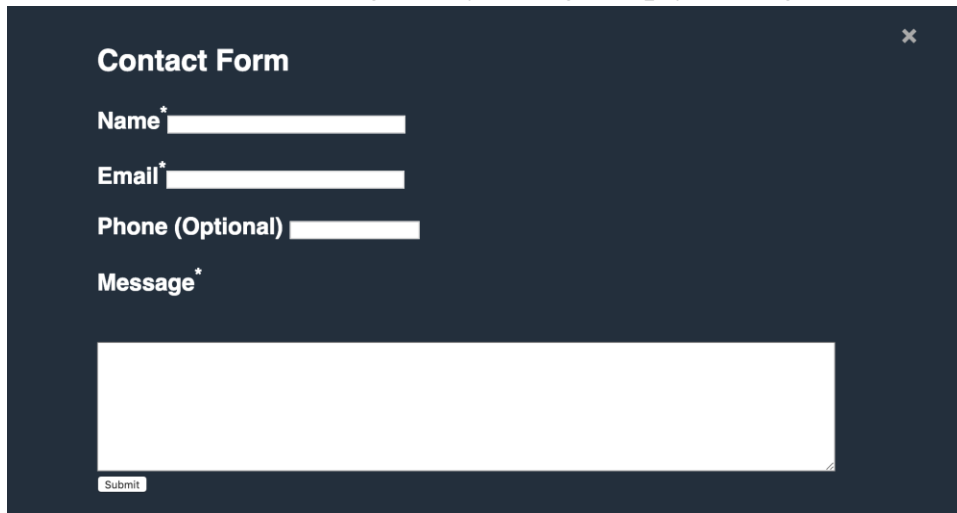


(Figure 4)

By clicking the “login” button , users can sign up/log in to this website. This website is currently only for JHU students, so this function will link to JHU email list. This function is not available now and our developer team is working on it.

By clicking the “contact us” link under the drop-down menu or click the button  on the right of the top menu bar, users can fill in the pop-up contact

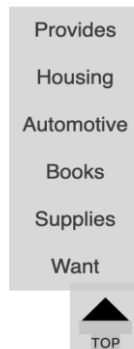
form to contact with the developer teams. They only need to type in their name, email, phone number (optional) and message information. As long as the developer team receives the message, they will get reply through the email.

A screenshot of a contact form titled "Contact Form" with a close button (X) in the top right corner. The form is set against a dark blue background. It contains four input fields: "Name\*" (a single-line text box), "Email\*" (a single-line text box), "Phone (Optional)" (a single-line text box), and "Message\*" (a large multi-line text area). A "Submit" button is located at the bottom left of the form.

When scroll down the homepage, users can see separate sections titled with JHU SSEP Provides, Housing/Apartment Rent, Automotive, Books, Appliance/Electronics and Want.

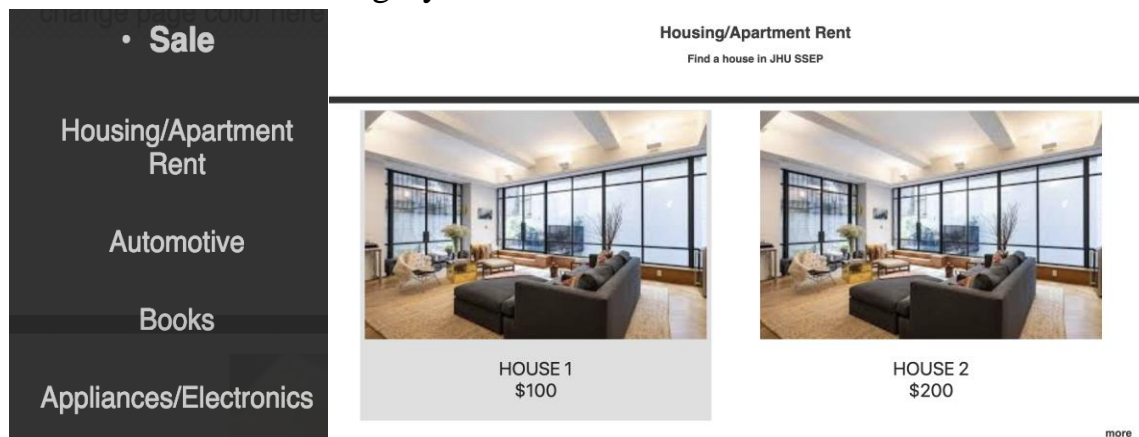
At the bottom of each page, there are three different kinds of information. The computer time is on the left, middle is the copyright and, on the right, it is the time since the user opened this page.

There is a black triangle pattern on the bottom right of the screen (it won't move as the page going up or down). By clicking it, users can go back to the top of the page. Also when putting the pointer on the button, a short list will appear with links to every section of the page.




**- Buyers:**

If a buyer wants to look for products on this website, he/she can follow the directories located on the left side of the home page and also look at the four independent sections on the main section of the home page, which have latest post information of each category.






By clicking the name of the category or “more” button on each category section, buyer can access a more detailed website with all subcategories and then choose one they want to purchase.


Once the buyer finds something interesting, he/she can click the name of the product and a new website with all detailed information including seller’s information will be shown so that buyer can contact the seller and complete the purchase. Buyers could also click the like button to add the post into their likelist, which is located in their individual page that could be accessed from the top bar.



Housing

Search something...



**Sell my car bought last year**

**Perfered Price: \$15,000**

Provided by: ABC

status: add to likelist


## Description

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DARCARS Kia Temple Hill has a wide selection of exceptional pre-owned vehicles to choose from, including this KIA CERTIFIED 2015 Kia Optima LX. Your buying risks

Users can also use the search bar to look for specific information as shown below. The search result will list all matched information from the database.



Housing

Search something...

Search Result

Date	Description	Price
2019-03-01	2 bed 2 bath near dupont circle	1500
2019-03-03	studio in arlington	2000

## - Sellers:

If a seller wants to sell something on this website, he/she can access the post creating page through home page. The link called “create a posting” is under the section called “JHU SSEP Provides”.

### JHU SSEP Provides

JHU Student Secondhand Exchange Platform Website allows you to buy a second hand item, sell your used products, and post your needs.



Sale



Want



Creat a Post

After clicking the link, the seller will open a website with a form to fill in all the information of the product, including name, product description, price, category, seller's name, living area, contact information. The seller can also choose to be anonymous and the post will only show the product and contact information without the real name.



Welcome to the posting page

The image displays a form for posting a product. It has a light orange background. The form includes several sections: 'YOUR NAME \*' with radio buttons for 'Show your user name' (selected) and 'Anonymous'; 'YOU ARE A' with radio buttons for 'Seller' (selected) and 'Buyer'; 'TITLE \*' with a text input field; 'YOUR EMAIL \*' with a text input field; and 'your phone number' with a text input field. On the right side, there is a section titled 'UPLOAD YOUR PICTURES' with a note '\* at least one is required multiple selection allowed' and a 'Choose Files' button showing 'No file chosen'.

After posting the product information, the only thing the seller needs to do is waiting for someone contact him/her to discuss about the product and complete the transaction. After enhanced the posting function with PHP code, users could jump to a sample post page after they submit their information, which looks like the following:

