

Extra Credit: Build Your Personal Portfolio Website with Quarto + GitHub Pages

Why this matters

A public portfolio is like your resume's cooler sibling. It lets employers, professors, and peers *see* what you've built. And Quarto makes it easier than ever.

Goals

If you complete this assignment, you'll:

1. Create a live website using Quarto that showcases who you are.
 2. Deploy your portfolio to **GitHub Pages** with just a few clicks.
 3. Customize it with sections like **About Me**, **Projects**, **Blog**, and **Resources**.
 4. Learn how static site generators like Quarto integrate seamlessly with GitHub.
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What You'll Build

A multi-page site built from scratch (using `.qmd` files) with the following:

Page	Required?	Purpose
<code>index.qmd</code>		Your homepage – introduce yourself!

Page	Required?	Purpose
<code>about.qmd</code>		A deeper bio – education, interests, goals.
<code>projects.qmd</code>		Describe 1–2 things you’ve made or learned.
<code>blog.qmd</code>		Optional journal or reflection space.
<code>resources.qmd</code>		Optional list of useful links (books, sites, tools).

Setup Instructions

We’ve created a **Pre-Workshop Setup Guide** for you:

[Pre-Workshop: Quarto + GitHub Pages](#)

This guide walks you through:

- Installing Git and RStudio (if not done already)
 - Linking GitHub to RStudio with a Personal Access Token
 - Creating a Quarto website project
 - Pushing your site to GitHub
 - Enabling GitHub Pages and going live!
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What to Submit

Submit **one link**:

`https://<your-username>.github.io/<your-repo-name>/`

Example:

`https://jane-doe.github.io/jane-portfolio/`

Make sure your site has at least:

- A custom title in `_quarto.yml`
- Three pages with meaningful content (`index.qmd`, `about.qmd`, `projects.qmd`)
- A working navigation bar between them
- Site loads with no 404 errors or broken links

Extra Credit Details

Category	Requirement	Points
Basic Portfolio	Site is live with 3+ pages & nav bar	+5
Customized Theme	Changed color, font, or layout in <code>_quarto.yml</code>	+2
Personal Touch	Unique content that shows personality	+3
Total Extra Credit	—	+10 points added to final grade

Deadline

*Optional — due by **Sunday 11:59 PM (Week X)**.*
 No late submissions accepted. This is bonus-only.

Tips

- If something breaks, commit your work often so you can roll back easily.
- Look at other Quarto sites (including the TA's!) for design inspiration.
- Want to add your site to your LinkedIn? Now's the time!

You're now one step closer to a real-world portfolio. Good luck—and have fun building your site!