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Proposal Topic

myCourses Calendar View

Primary User Group

Students who use myCourses

Specific User Goal

Students want to see what they have left to do in calendar format. They may be looking ahead of time to see what assignments are coming up, such as the upcoming week to plan accordingly.

Primary Problem in Achieving Goal

Create a more legible calendar list to remove clutter and small item sizes.

Current Task Flow

1. myCourses home page

Locker Help ▾

My Courses Listing

TIP: Check the **Announcements** following this course listing often to stay **current** with *myCourses* updates.

[Help Finding Your Courses](#)[Contact Academic Technology Support](#)

All Pinned 2225 Spring 2221 Fall



IGME.202.01-02 -
Interactive Media
Development
2225 Spring



IGME.119.08 - 2D
Animation and Asset
Prod
2225 Spring



IGME.236.06 -
Experience Design
Games&Media
2225 Spring

User Links ▾

No items found.

NSSE Survey ▾

You do not have an NSSE Survey link. This survey is only available to first year and senior students.

Calendar ▾

Friday, March 10, 2023



Upcoming events ▾

Calendar ▼

Friday, March 10, 2023 ▼

< March 2023 >

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26 •	27 •	28 •	1 •	2 •	3 •	4 •
5 •	6 •	7 •	8 •	9 •	10 •	11 •
12 •	13 •	14 •	15 •	16 •	17 •	18
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Upcoming events ▼

MAR
10

11:58 PM
Project 02b: Animatic - Due
IGME.119.08 - 2D
Animation and Asset Prod

MAR
10

11:59 PM
Initial Proposal - Due
IGME.236.06 - Experience
Design Games&Media

Problem: Calendar is cluttered with information over all days, although some are not assignments. There is no setting to change this.

3. Calendar page

The screenshot shows the RIT myCourses interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with the RIT myCourses logo, user profile (Corie Beale), and various icons (grid, envelope, speech bubble, bell). Below this is a secondary bar with 'Locker' and 'Help' links. The main content area is the calendar, currently in 'Day' view for 'Mar 10, 2023'. The calendar shows a vertical timeline from 12:00 PM to 11:00 PM. A single event is visible: 'IGME.119.08 - 2D Animation and Asset Prod' from 3:00 PM to 3:00 PM, labeled as a 'Zoom Online Meeting'. At the bottom of the day view, there's a row of small, overlapping colored blocks representing other events, with labels like 'B.Pro11:58 PM', 'B.Initi11:59 PM', 'B.Wer11:59 PM', 'Mid11:59 PM', and 'Mid11:59 PM'. To the right of the day view is a monthly calendar for 'March 2023', with the 10th highlighted. Below the monthly calendar is a 'Tasks' section with a dropdown arrow and an 'Add a task...' input field.

Problem: Many assignments typically due at the end of the day on either Friday or Sunday. Therefore, information is cluttered at the bottom and not easily identifiable. The student must click on each one to see each assignment or find the assignment they are looking for. The color coding is also unclear. There is no key to understand what color is which class, which may help to decipher the clutter.

4. Clicking an assignment on the calendar view (and clicking "More...")

The screenshot shows a calendar view with time slots from 6:00 PM to 11:00 PM. A task notification overlay is displayed, titled "Initial Proposal - Due". The notification contains the following text:

- IGME.236.06 - Experience Design Games&Media
- 🕒 Due March 10 at 11:59 PM
- Use the [IGME 236 Initial Proposal Template](#). Be sure to look at [L. Lawley's example proposal](#)). Submit the final document in Microsoft Word format.
- [More...](#)

“More...” redirects to:


The screenshot shows the RIT myCourses interface. The top navigation bar includes the RIT logo, "myCourses", and user information "Corie Beale". The main content area displays a task summary for "Initial Proposal - Due" on March 10, 2023, at 11:59 PM. The task details include:

- IGME.236.06 - Experience Design Games&Media
- Use the [IGME 236 Initial Proposal Template](#). Be sure to look at [L. Lawley's example proposal](#)). Submit the final document in Microsoft Word format.
- Select a specific task that an RIT (Slack, Zoom, Miro, Google, or myCourses) user might want to perform, but that is difficult for them to do.
- Your proposal should include:
 - a clear description of the users you're designing for
 - description of a specific goal they're trying to achieve with the tool
 - their current barriers to success
 - a task flow summary
 - a brief summary of the changes you are proposing to implement and test
- [Initial Proposal](#)
- 🕒 Due March 10 at 11:59 PM

On the right side, there is a "Tasks" section with a dropdown arrow and a text input field labeled "Add a task..."

Problem: Many key presses are required. Instead of going straight to the assignment's page, a replica of the assignment is made as a “summary.” This is not intuitive since the assignment's page would tell the user the same exact thing. If the student wanted to submit the assignment, they would need to click on the blue title of the assignment.

- Extra: Potentially irrelevant information

5:00 PM	 IGME.236.06 - Experience Design Games&Media Zoom Online Meeting	5:00 PM
6:00 PM		

While this may be beneficial to remote students, Zoom meetings are consistently shown for classes that offer it. They add clutter, such as adding to the blue dots shown on step 3. It becomes almost impossible to navigate unless assignment dates are known before navigating this calendar.

Proposed Changes

[Tell me, specifically, how you will improve the user experience. What will you redesign and why? Provide this in numbered list form.]

1. Customizable calendar
 - a. Add types of events so that the student can specify what content they want to display on the calendar. All types will be applied by default but will save changes per student.
2. Expandable calendar
 - a. Added ability to resize the calendar widget, similar to a text box on a submission form. This will improve readability.
3. Key code for courses and colors
 - a. Allow the user to easily identify what colors are what courses. Add feature to change colors if needed to assist with colorblindness. This key will always be displayed for easy reference.
4. Better navigation
 - a. Instead of providing a summary, clicking on the assignment or event will bring the student straight to the relevant page so that they can perform actions instead of only reading text.
5. Content display rework
 - a. Currently, the format is header: course name, body: event name. This will be reversed to show the most relevant content first and improve navigation speed so the user finds what they want fast.