



CSCI-UA-4-005

Intro to Web Design + Computer Principles

Forms

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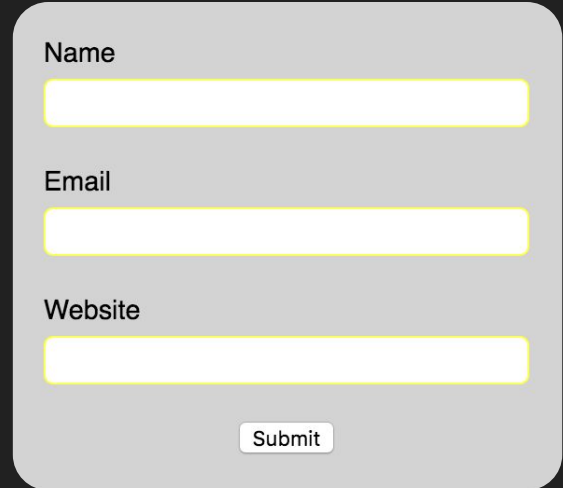
Agenda

- Lecture: Forms
- Demo: Making a form
- Programming Workshop

Forms

Forms

- Web pages are good not just for providing information to visitors, but also gathering information from them.
- The HTML `<form>` element is used to define a form for getting user input.
- A variety of form elements are used to provide an interface for the input.
- These form elements include text fields, checkboxes, dropdown menus, and buttons.



A simple web form with three text input fields and a submit button. The form is contained within a light gray rounded rectangle. The labels 'Name', 'Email', and 'Website' are positioned to the left of their respective input fields. The input fields are white with a thin yellow border. The 'Submit' button is a small white rectangle with a thin yellow border, located at the bottom right of the form.

Name

Email

Website

Submit

Google



Google Search

I'm Feeling Lucky



NYU Login

Login to NYUHome

Username

Password

LOGIN

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Seeing other people cry can easily
make you feel like you want to cry too.

Agree



Disagree


You often make a backup plan for a backup plan.

Agree



Disagree

Enter your payment details

	Card number	MM / YY CVC
Street address		
Apt, unit, suite, etc. (optional)		
United States ▼		
City	State ▼	Zip code

Professional plan

Billing cycle

☒ Annual (Save 20%) ☐ Monthly

1 Figma design editor \$144

\$12 × 1 editor × 12 months

0 FigJam editors \$0 \$0

FigJam is free for 2021 ⓘ

Subtotal \$144

Next: Review


```
<form action="my-script.php">
```

First name:

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<input type="text" name="firstname">
```

Last name:

```
<input type="text" name="lastname">
```

```
<input type="submit" value="Submit">
```

```
</form>
```

First name:

Last name:

Submit

HTML Form

```
<form action="my-script.php">
  First name:
  <input type="text" name="firstname">
  Last name:
  <input type="text" name="lastname">
  <input type="submit" value="Submit">
</form>
```

- Forms always begin with the `<form>` element.
- The `<form>` element's `action` attribute specifies how the form will be processed.
- The `<input>` element is used for various kinds of user input.
- The `<input>` element's `type` attribute determines what kind of input is received from users.
- Each `<input>` element must also have a `name` attribute and `value` in order for the data to be sent.

Input Types

Text Input:

Number Input:

Date Input:

Checkbox:

☐ Check me

Radio Buttons:

☐ Option 1 ☐ Option 2

Select:

Textarea:

Button:

Color Picker:



Datetime Local:

File Input:

 No file chosen

Range Input:



Reset Button:

Search Input:

Submit Button:

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<input type="button">
<input type="checkbox">
<input type="color">
<input type="date">
<input type="datetime-local">
<input type="email">
<input type="file">
<input type="hidden">
<input type="image">
<input type="month">
<input type="number">
<input type="password">
<input type="radio">
<input type="range">
<input type="reset">
<input type="search">
<input type="submit">
<input type="tel">
<input type="text">
<input type="time">
<input type="url">
<input type="week">
```

Form Validation

Before form data gets sent, it's important to validate the input.

- You may want to make certain form fields required.
- You probably want to make sure that certain fields are completed properly.
- You should also verify that malicious code is not sent along with form input.

Form validation can be done client-side, server-side, or both.

Form Processing

- Normally, forms are sent to the server to be processed.
- This requires a server-side application written in a back-end language.
- Since server-side coding is beyond the scope of this class, we will use a free service that receives form data and sends it to you via email.

→ [Formspree](#)

Homework

— Assignment #8