



PRE-WORK: FRONT-END WEB DEVELOPMENT

GETTING STARTED WITH FRONT-END WEB DEVELOPMENT

Congratulations on joining us at General Assembly for the Front-End Web Development course! We are excited to have you, and are looking forward to working with you soon!

We want you to be prepared and to ensure your success in the course, so we've made a pre course checklist. Complete all the items on the list, and when you arrive on your first day, everyone and their computers will be up to speed and familiar with the necessary tools needed to succeed in this course. This should take you around 13 hours to complete, total.

We can't tell you how excited we are to have you join the General Assembly community!

Happy Coding :)

BEFORE CLASS CHECKLIST (2-3 HOURS)

COMPLETE ALL ITEMS BY: **FIRST DAY OF CLASS**

- ☐ Sign Up for a GitHub account
- ☐ Complete Pre-course tutorials
- ☐ Install Sublime Text, Atom and Google Chrome

GETTING STARTED WITH GITHUB

- ▶ In Front-End Web Development, we'll be using tools called GitHub for course materials, homework submission and feedback.
- ▶ If you've never used GitHub before, you'll want to get familiar before class. Please [watch this video](#) and follow all of the steps to sign up for an account, download the GitHub desktop app, create a new repository and sync your first file. If you run into any trouble, don't worry! We'll be going over all this again in class.
- ▶ Please send your course producer your GitHub username!

PRE-COURSE TUTORIALS

If you were able to complete the GitHub lesson and want to get a head start on some of the material we'll be covering, go ahead and dive into [General Assembly's Dash](#). See if you can complete Project 1 on your own. If you run into any problems, please let us know, we're always happy to help!

TUTORIALS	NOTES
CodeAcademy's HTML and CSS	7 hours
CodeAcademy's Learn the Command Line	3 hours
Code Academy's Git	2 hours

SOFTWARE INSTALLATIONS

Please bring a laptop to [every class](#). We strongly recommend Macs for this course. Additionally, please download/install Sublime Text and Google Chrome.

SOFTWARE	NOTES
Text Editor: Sublime Text 2 & Atom	These two applications are essential in the course. We will use them everyday.
Browser: Google Chrome	
Mac Basics YouTube video	~3 min If you aren't familiar with your Mac's file navigation system, check out this tutorial.
Windows 8 Tutorial	~ 3 min If you aren't familiar with your Windows file navigation system, review this tutorial from Microsoft.