

Rationale

Using the decisions I made in Module 4, I sketched out my four main pages: Landing, Blog, Portfolio, and Resume. I started by deciding what features would be static across all of my pages, and I sketched this first. In my header is a picture of me, my name, and the navigation bar. In my left sidebar, which is also static, is a box with contact information and a twitter feed. I wanted this information on all pages, because I wanted people to feel like they were welcome to connect with me. Then, I sketched out space for a short bio, my latest blog post, and a featured portfolio piece.

From there, the only piece that changes is the content section. On the blog page, there's space for the blog post, a blog search, and blog navigation. It's a familiar setup for anyone who has used blogger before. The portfolio page is a series of images and text that makes it easy to display multiple projects at once. Finally, the resume page is very basic and just includes text. I don't think it will be necessary to have anything fancy on this page.

I used the 960 grid system to make my rough wireframes. I decided it would be easier this way for when I added colors and typography. I think I may have specified a little too much in some places, but I didn't use too many specifics. For example, I used words rather than an x to symbolize an image. I didn't like the way an x looked while I was designing the wireframe.