

Project: Final Project Peer Review Guidelines

Intro to Human/Computer Interaction CS 5540/6540

General Task:

The purpose of this review is to help in the revision process of designing a user interface. The review should be focused on the use of the interface, not the functionality of the program. The project is to design an interface with a special need in mind. This need can be a user handicap or a special purpose interface, such as an interface on a space shuttle. With this in mind, please give a review of your interaction with the interface.

Requirements:

1. Goals of the Interface

- a. Please describe the purpose of the interface and the special need for which the interface is designed.
- b. How does the interface address the needs of this special purpose and is the approach effective?
- c. What improvements could the designers make to more effectively fulfill the requirement of the special need? Is anything missing from the interface that users would require?

2. Use of the interface

- a. Please describe the quality of your interaction with the interface. Is the interface intuitive? Did you require help to use the interface? Are widgets placed where you would expect and react as you want?
- b. Will users of the interface be required to learn the interface? If so, how hard it is to learn the interface and will this requirement on the user lead to a better interface?
- c. What improvements on the use of the interface do you suggest?

3. Aesthetics of the Interface

- a. As best as you can, describe the visual style of the interface. Is there a theme running throughout the interface? Is the interface visually appealing?
- b. Have the designers used visual cues that help in the navigation and use of the interface? Specifically, what visual clues does the interface incorporate to aid the user?
- c. What improvements to the visual appearance of the interface do you suggest?

4. Overall Experience

- a. What is the best feature of the interface? What did you like the best and why?
- b. What improvements on the interface do you suggest and why?

5. Any Additional Comments?