## **Welcome & Class expectations**

Hi Class,

Welcome to Web Tools. My name is Yukiko Ishida and I'm your instructor for this semester.

I live in Sausalito, which just North of San Francisco, and I teach this course online and in person. Apart from teaching, my other job is being Visual UI Designer for Hotwire. Hotwire is an online travel website and I'm tasked with updating the design for the hotel section. I also love technology, web design, video games and teaching.

The best way to contact me is by email. My address is yukiko.ishida.aau@gmail.com - I check it very often (since it's linked on my phone). Please don't use the AAU in-system email- its harder for me to attach items and keep track of the threads

**In this course** you'll learn how to make a website. You'll be able to code it, style it, and upload it. To do this, we will be making 2 sites: a portfolio site and a restaurant site. In the process, you'll learn best practices, typography, web design constraints and more. At the end of the class, you'll have a live, working website anybody can see.

So, onto the important course information.

## I expect this course will be challenging but rewarding Here's some tips:

- 1. Mind your schedule Be proactive if you think you need help, but don't forget: the class will always keep moving
- 2. Get help early tutoring is available through the ARC even online!
- 3. Do a quick check of the discussion throughout the week. Someone may have posted a response to you. I may not reply to all threads, but I'll do a read-through every day. It's also your only opportunity to foster that classroom environment.
- 4. Do your reading, assignments and quizzes & turn them in (on time)! They're there for you to practice and demonstrate your learning.
- 5. For code-related issues, try googling the problem first. There are many online tutorials that offer specific help. Also, please try to answer your classmate's questions as well since many people may encounter the same problems

## **Assignments & Grading:**

- At the beginning of each module, I will open a discussion thread for turning in assignments.
  - Usually, there's two types of assignments: project related work or coding practice.
  - Sometimes, I may edit the requirements so be sure to check the turn-in post for any changes.
  - In the turn-in discussion thread, please make 1 post with all of your assignments for that week. You can edit your post throughout the module if you need to add more work. In your post, please

- attach a placeholder image. That allows everyone else to reply within your post.
- If the assignment is a coded webpage, please provide a link to your work. DO NOT ATTACH .html FILES. Double check to make sure the link works.
- If the assignment requires screenshots or jpg designs, please zip up the files and attach them to your post. Please name them with the assignment and your full name (A1-1\_Ishida\_Yukiko.zip)
- Throughout the module, I will check in on the posts, provide some feedback, and reply to comments.
  - I hold off grading until the end of the module.
  - At the end of the module, the turn-in thread will lock and all discussion should move to the next set of assignments
- I record personalized video feedback weekly.
  - I post the feedback a couple of days after the end of each module.
  - These videos are for your benefit. Please watch them.
- I accept late Assignments up to 2 modules late for a maximum grade of a C.
  - So, if it's currently module 5, then I would accept late assignments from module 4 or 3 for a maximum grade of C. I would not accept a late assignment from module 2.
  - Post late work in the instructor's office.
  - I can always offer suggestions on how to improve your work, but I do not regrade and I do not accept late *Projects*.

**Ok that's it!** I hope you enjoy this course as much as I like teaching it! Its pretty exciting to see students make their first websites! Let me know if you have any questions or comments. **Talk to you later.**