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Review of the cvkennedy

Review for Cameron

How does the introduction answer the question “Who am I as a writer?”

It answers that as he is a computer programmer, he is a people programmer. The style of writing which he chooses to mostly use is (according to Introduction) syntactically optimized, fully rooted in purpose, and structured in a segmented, computer-like, way. Prolix work can be interpreted in too many ways, but programs designed for computers, as well as people, should only be interpreted in one way.

Cameron aims to improve his clarity mainly by increasing brevity. Cameron also tries to focus his work on its purpose, eliminating irrelevant structures and components to make its function more streamlined.

How is the portfolio organized?

The portfolio has an introductory essay and a section for Unit 1, with drafts, final, and peer review of his Google essay. Ultimately the site will be hosted somewhere else. The organization of the portfolio is clearly temporary, so I cannot give much analysis at this point.

Is the navigation intuitive and logical? How might we make it more so?

No idea about what Jekyll theme you are using (if you are using Jekyll and not making some kind of web app) so can't really answer this question yet. Mine is made in Jekyll, and I used the collections feature to organize by project, so you may want to look into that.

What documents does the portfolio contain? What additional documents could help?

Portfolio contains Unit 1. Probably you should add the rest of the units, and some other especially 'coding-like' pieces of writing you have done in the past. Have you written any legal documents?

Does the introductory essay adequately prepare readers for the rest of the portfolio.

Can't tell yet, because don't have the rest of the portfolio.

Give the writer three pieces of advice.

You have a solidly defined thesis, so make sure your documents all support it. Maybe add blurbs for each one explaining how it supports the main claim, directing the reader's attention to relevant aspects of the doc. Don't include documents which don't support your claim.

When you are adding documents, pay attention to how they flavor your claim, and emphasize the relevance of your claim to function versatility / genres. Otherwise you may not meet that requirement.

Don't kill yourself trying to get a Jekyll site working. If it is taking more than two hours, give up immediately and use digication. I am not kidding, I learned this lesson the hard way, wasting more than 5 hours yesterday merely installing the theme. Even though I understand it better now, I still don't think Jekyll is easy and quick.