## Course Overview

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When software is hard to use, don't make excuses for it. Improve it. When a user makes a mistake, don't blame the user. Ask how the software misled them. Then fix it. The user's time is more valuable than ours. Respect it. Good UI design is humble.

— Jono DiCarlo



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QM vAD6jetg

# Instructor

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# About Me

- Educator, Interaction Designer, and Open Source Author
- (Recovering) User Experience Consultant, established Hibbitts Design in 1998
- Current focus is creating open source software for the field of education
- 125+ successful software UX projects, with 40+ clients such as SAP BusinessObjects, The Canadian Real Estate Association and The University of British Columbia
- Usability Mentor, 2009 Season of Usability (co-sponsored by Google)
- Human Factors International (HFI) Certified Usability Analyst
- Instructor at Simon Fraser University, since 1997

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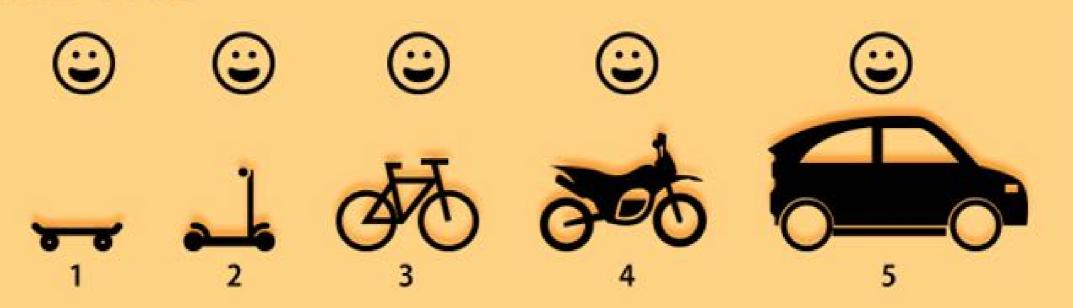
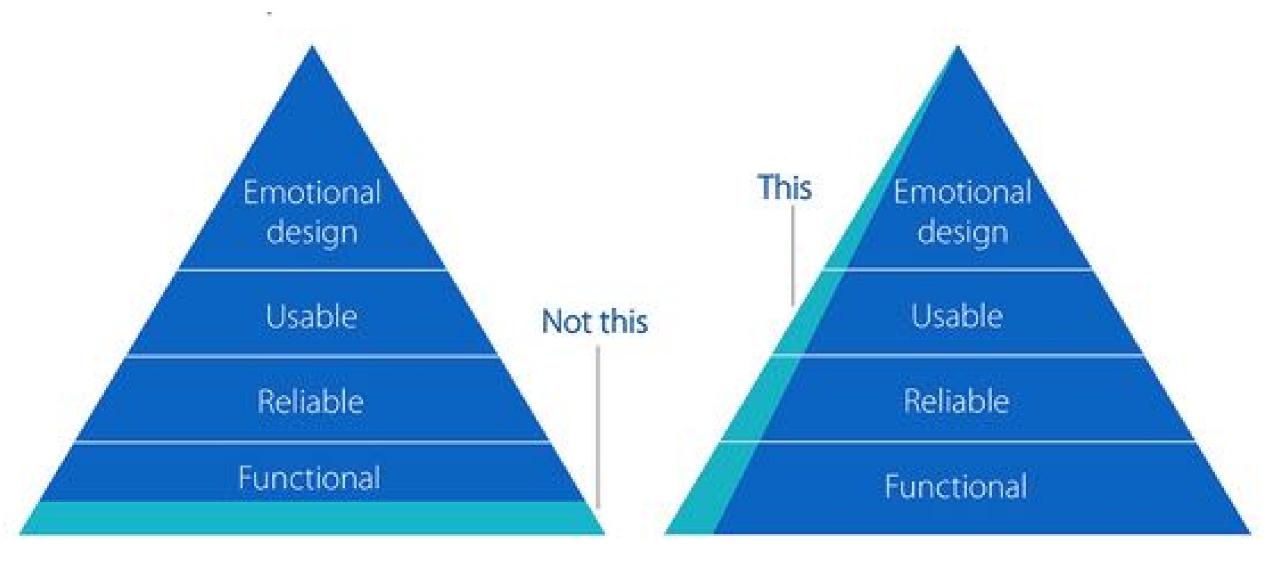


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# Minimum Viable Product





# Teaching Assistant

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Hamid will not be holding regular office hours during the term

# Ok, so what do you want to learn in this class?

# Course Objectives

- Describe and apply key UI/UX concepts, techniques, and principles
- Assess and describe the usability and UX of a digital interface
- Plan, conduct, and analyze user research for a digital product
- Conceptualize, design, and prototype a digital product
- Plan, conduct, and analyze a usability test of a digital product
- Participate and contribute as a member of a team
- Care about how people feel about and experience technology

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"Empathetic problem-solving aligning people, business and technology."



# Reasons To Avoid This Course



- Weekly readings, along with a quiz, are required
- Frequent in-class individual and group exercises
- Group assignment(s) are mandatory
- Assignments will require a substantial amount of effort
- Satisfactory peer reviews will be a requirement to receive grades for certain assignments
- Good communication and writing skills are critical
- It is a design course, where assessments will often be determined on subjective opinion (primarily mine)
- I expect your designs to be more than just usable (also useful and desirable)
- Instructor design review and critique session
- Getting A's in other computer science courses has little relevance in this course

# Reasons Why You Might Want To Stick Around

- A good great UX is now a software industry expectation
- Poorly designed interfaces cost money, require additional support, and waste people's valuable time
- A basic understanding of user experience design processes and techniques will be helpful when working in the software industry
- You will experience how to work on design challenges within teams
- The user-centered design process and techniques that you will learn can be applied to many other domains
- You have the opportunity to learn from an experienced industry practitioner and educator (ca.linkedin.com/in/paulhibbitts/)

# Course Outline as Topics

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# Course Outline as Questions

- What is usability and user experience design?
- What does a holistic user experience design process look like?
- How to make more strategic design decisions?
- How to explore and communicate possible design solutions?
- How to conduct a usability inspection?
- How to plan, conduct, and summarize usability tests?
- How to design for mobile and multi-device usage?
- How to understand and communicate people's needs and behaviors?
- How to design products for how people think, learn and feel?
- What are the essentials of effective visual communication?

# Laptop Policy - Let's Discuss!

As both an instructor and audience member, I have found the increasing use of laptops to be a major distraction, not only for the people actually using laptops but also for those sitting around them

# One Minute Wrap-up Summary (A.K.A. Bonus Points Opportunity)

Immediately after (up until 12 midnight the day of class) you will be asked to write down and answer via the Canvas Class Discussion Board the most valuable thing you learned, and any questions that you may still have.

# Required Textbook

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Are you kidding me, in 2018? All required readings will be available on-line.

# Midterms and Final Exams

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None — midterms and finals are most often poor gauges of what students have really learned.

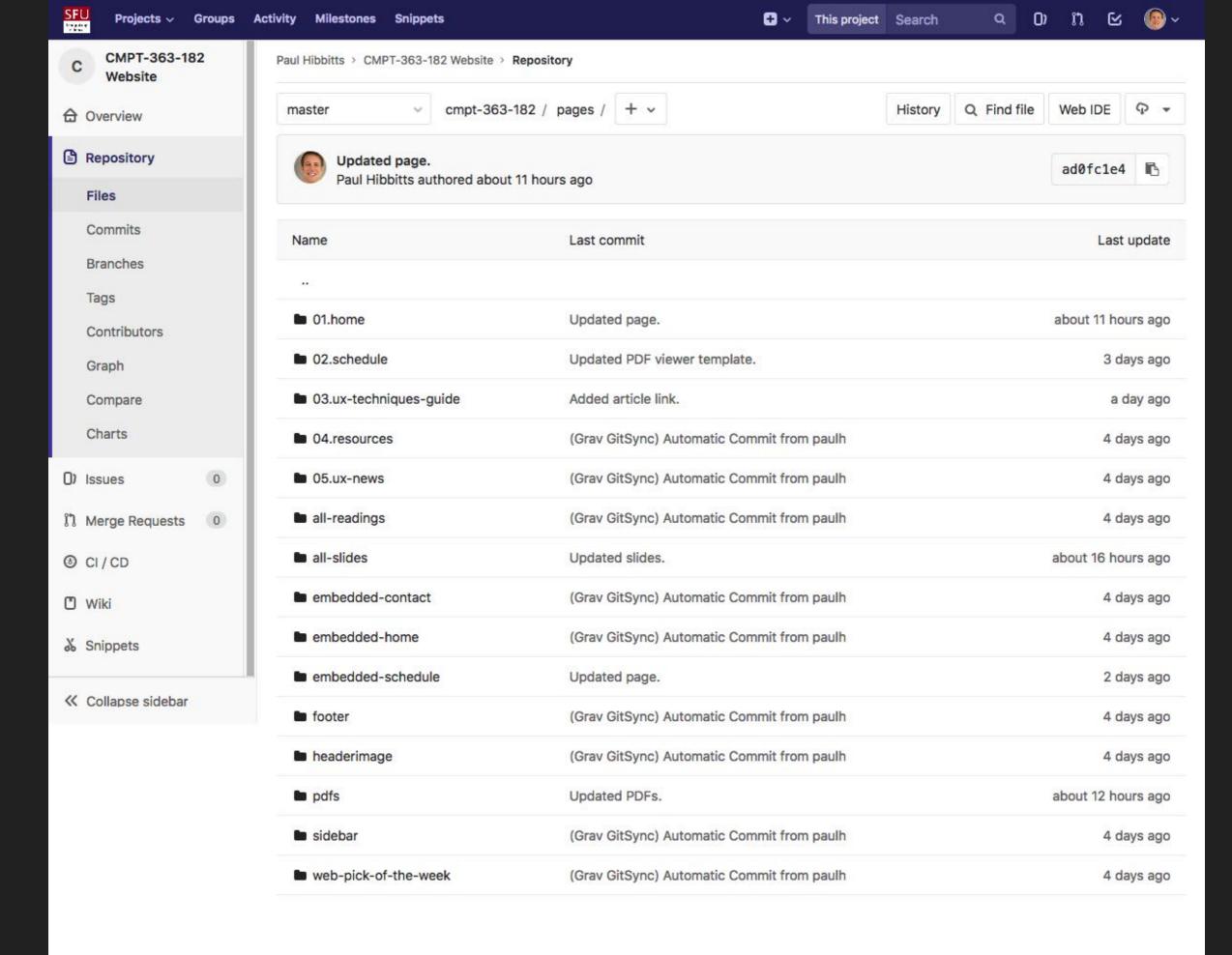
# Canvas Course Site

paulhibbitts.net/cmpt-363 (bit.ly/cmpt-363)

I always want to hear from you how together we make our Canvas course hub better. Be honest, I can take it.

# Quick Poll

- ☐ HTML
- ☐ Markdown
- ☐ CSS
- ☐ Twig☐ YAML
- ☐ PHP
- ☐ GitHub/GitLab







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### Resources

### Reflective Writing

- · A short guide to reflective writing
- How Reflecting On Your Work Can Make You A Better Designer
- · Online Guide to Reflective Writing
- Reflective Toolbox
- Reflective writing: a basic introduction

### **UX Platform Guideline Collections**

- Android User Interface Design Guidelines
- Google Material Design Guidelines
- iOS Human Interface Design Guidelines (iPhone and iPad)
- KDE Human Interface Design Guidelines
- OS X Human Interface Design Guidelines
- Windows App Design Guidelines (Touch)

### **UX** Templates

- Contextual Interview Form
- One Page User Research Plan
- Templates & Downloadable Documents | Usability.gov
- cxpartners | Resources
- The PM Toolkit
- UX Project Checklist

### **UX Design Checklists**

- A Checklist for Designing Mobile Input Fields
- Mobile UX Checklist (PDF, by Mobify)
- One-Page Touch Interaction Design Checklist (PDF)
- Usability checklist (Userium)
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### **UX Article Collections**

- The UX Bookmark
- User Experience Magazine (UXPA)
- UI/UX Articles (Medium)

### **UX** eBooks

- 50 UX Best Practices by Above the Fold (email address required)
- Bright Ideas for User Experience Designers
- The Fable of the User-Centered Designer

### UX Design MOOCs & Courses

- Human-Computer Interaction | Coursera
- The Design of Everyday Things | Udacity
- · Rapid Wireframing: Finding the Right Product Design

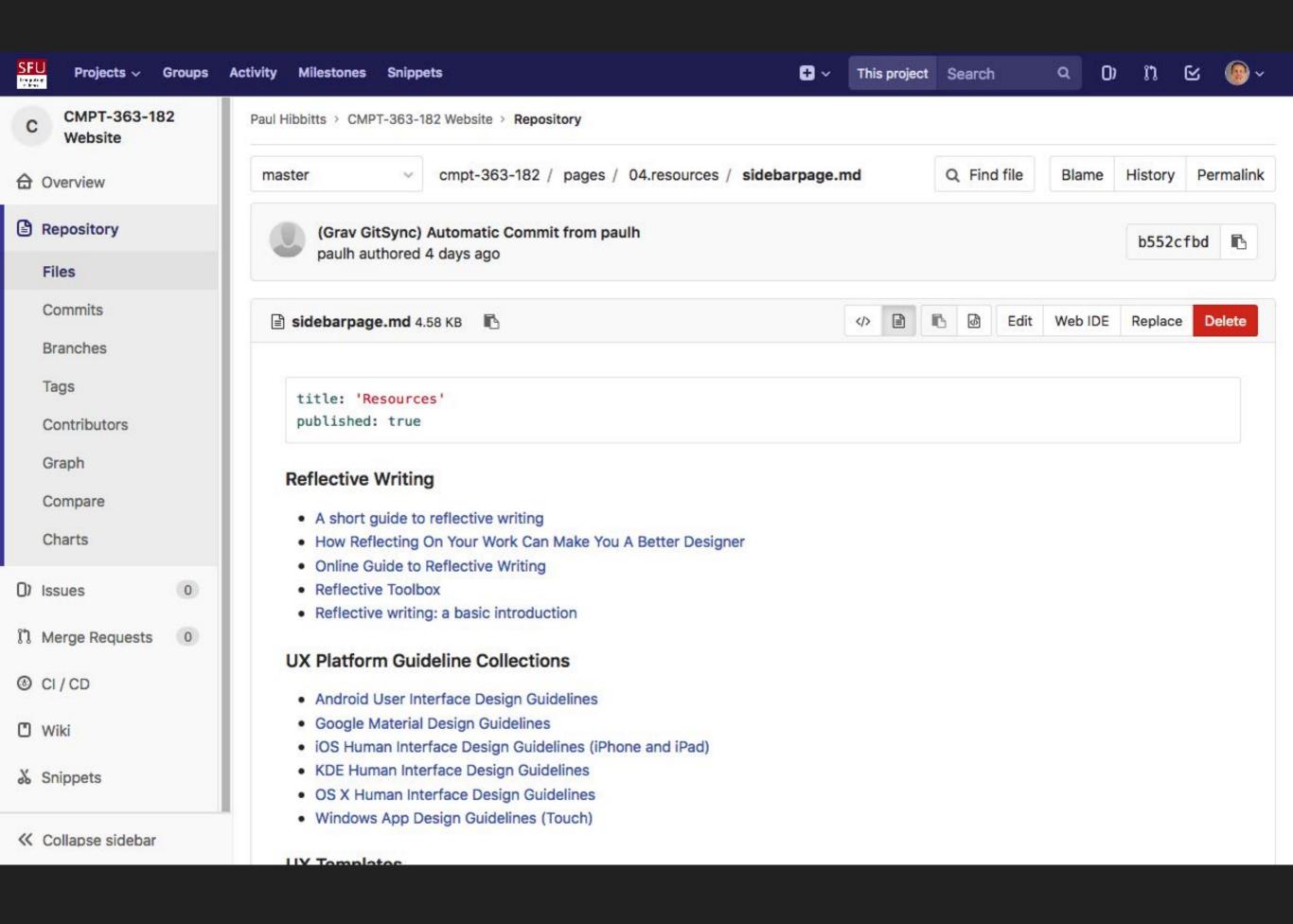
### **UX Podcast Collections**

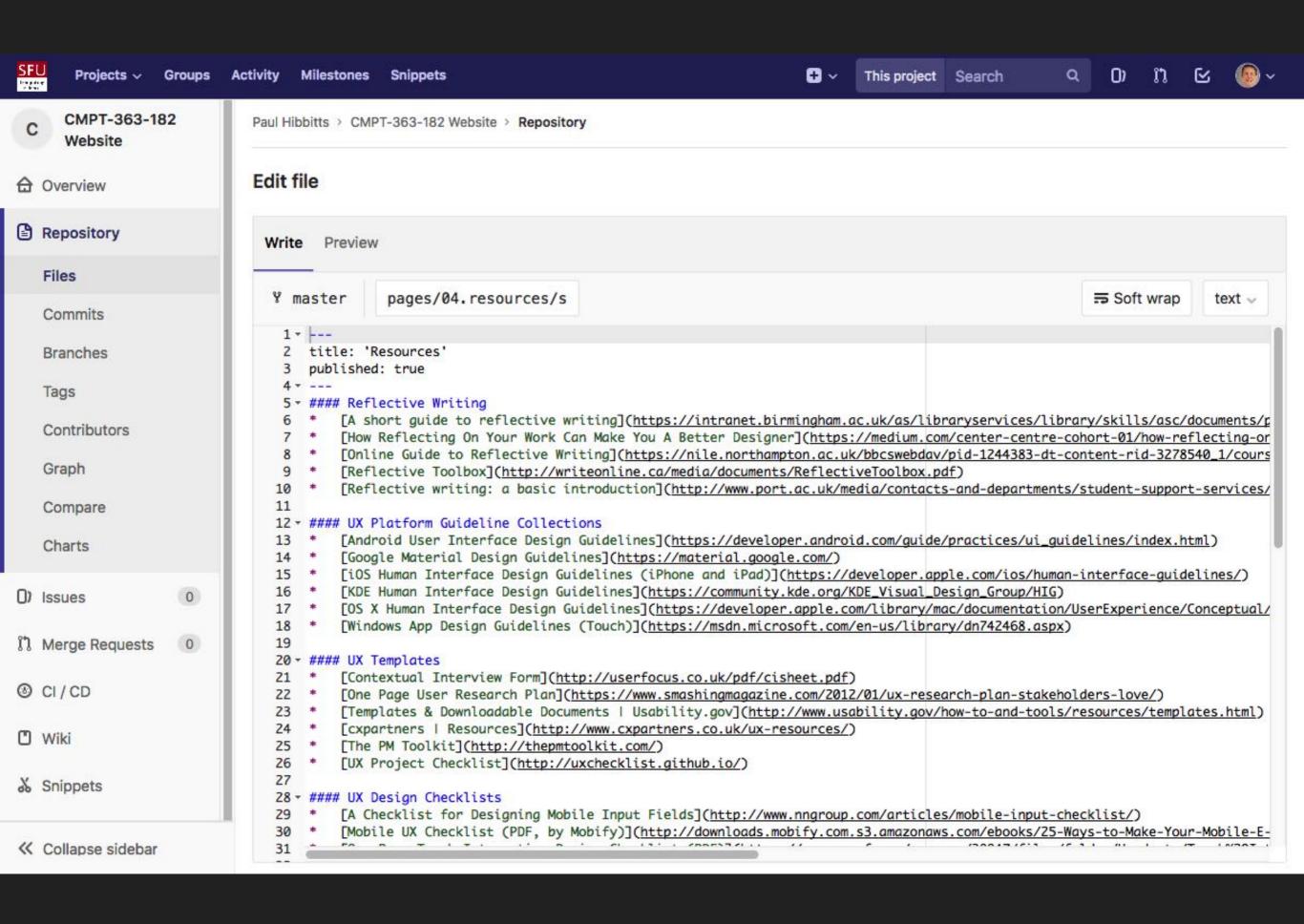
- Design Critique: Products for People
- Podcasts UIE Brain Sparks
- Boagworld Podcast
- User Experience Podcast

### **UX Video Collections**

- Google Developers Channel
- Interaction Design Association Vimeo Channels
- NNgroup YouTube Channel
- UX Mastery YouTube Channel







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Presented Slides

The Process of UX Design [Draft Slides] ( View/Edit these Slides in Markdown)

#### The Process of UX Design

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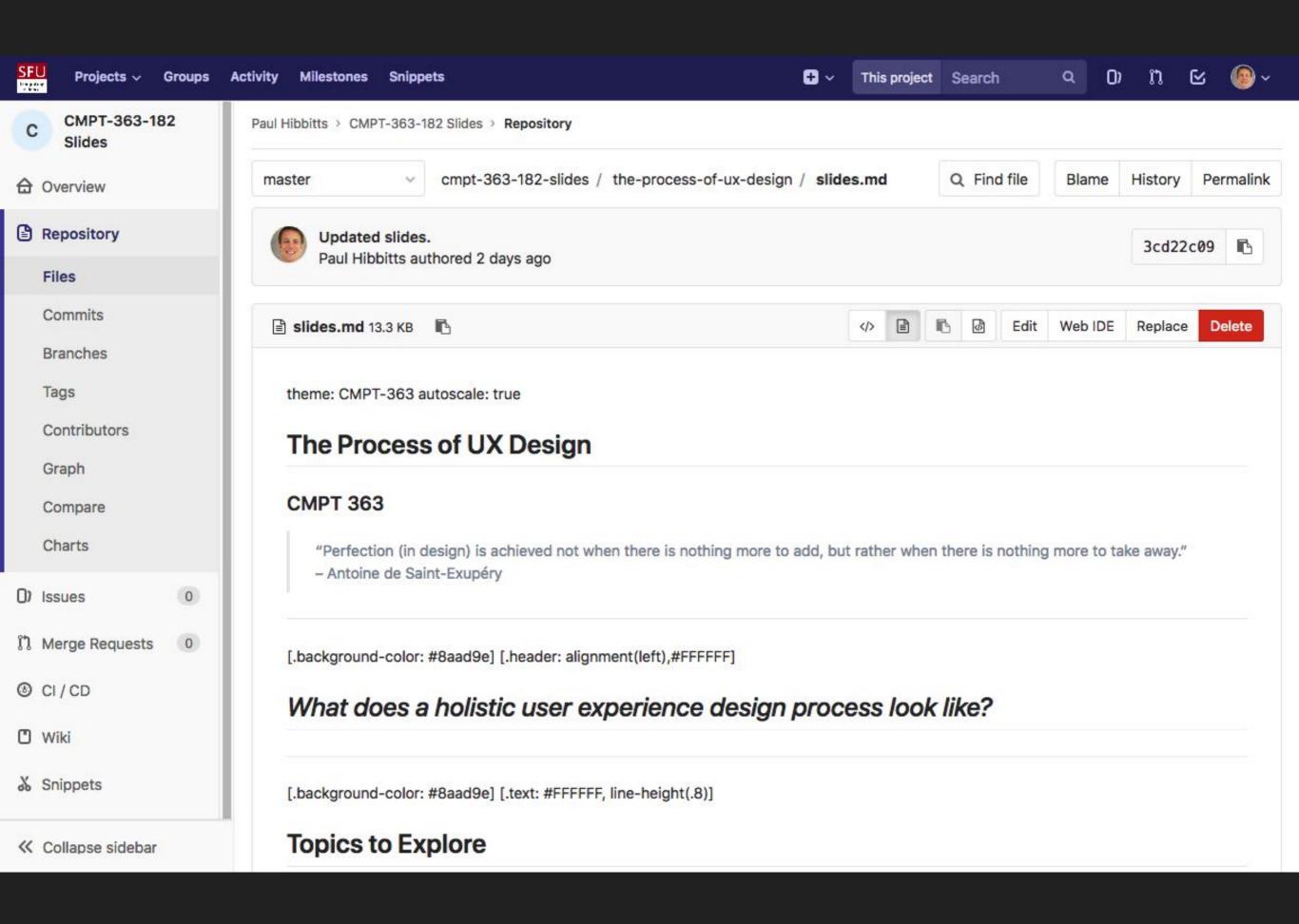
"Perfection (in design) is achieved not when there is nothing more to add, but rather when there is nothing more to take away."

— Antoine de Saint-Exupéry

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## Course Grading (tentative)

- Individual (50%)
  - Weekly Reading Quizzes: 5%
  - Journey Map: 15%
  - Usability Inspection (including possible peer reviews):
     25%
  - Reflection Log: 5%
- Group (25%)
  - User Research Report: 25%
- Team or Group (25%)
  - Usability Tested Mockups: 25%

### Weekly Reading Summaries

- Summarize (in one complete sentence each) how you found the reading:
  - Surprising?
  - Puzzling?
  - •Useful?
  - New?
  - •Know already?
  - •Interesting?
- Each submitted reading summary will be assessed as either satisfactory (a.k.a. full marks) or unsatisfactory (a.k.a. zero)
- When assigned, reading summaries must be submitted no later than 10:00am class day - no exceptions... ever... so don't ask

## Weekly Reading Summaries

A practice reading quiz (not graded) will be available tomorrow on the course hub, due by 10:00am May 16th

### Individual and Group Assignments

#### Two Possibilities:

- SFU's Open Source CourSys App
- SFU's Co-op myExperience App late breaking option!

### Assignment Policy

- Any assignment submitted may be shared/shown in class and also publicly (with all student or group identity information removed if public)
- Late assignments will not be accepted without valid documentation (e.g. medical certificate)
- Each group assignment group member may be subject to a participation assessment by all their group peers
- At my discretion, the grades of group members who are clearly not contributing a fair share of work may be adjusted, including a grade of zero (0)

### Important Dates (Tentative)

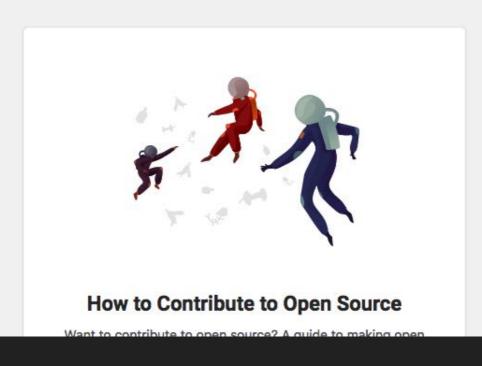
- Individual Reflection Log
  - Assigned May 16th, due Aug 3rd
- Individual Journey Map
  - Assigned May 23rd, due Jun 5th
- Individual UI Inspection
  - Assigned Jun 6th, due Jun 19th
- Group Assignment: User Research Report
  - Assigned Jun 27th, due Jul 17th (Draft user research plan due Jul 2nd)
- Team or Group Assignment: Usability Tested Mockups
  - Assigned Jul 18th, due Aug 1st (Draft designs due Jul 23rd)

#### Some Items of Recent Interest...

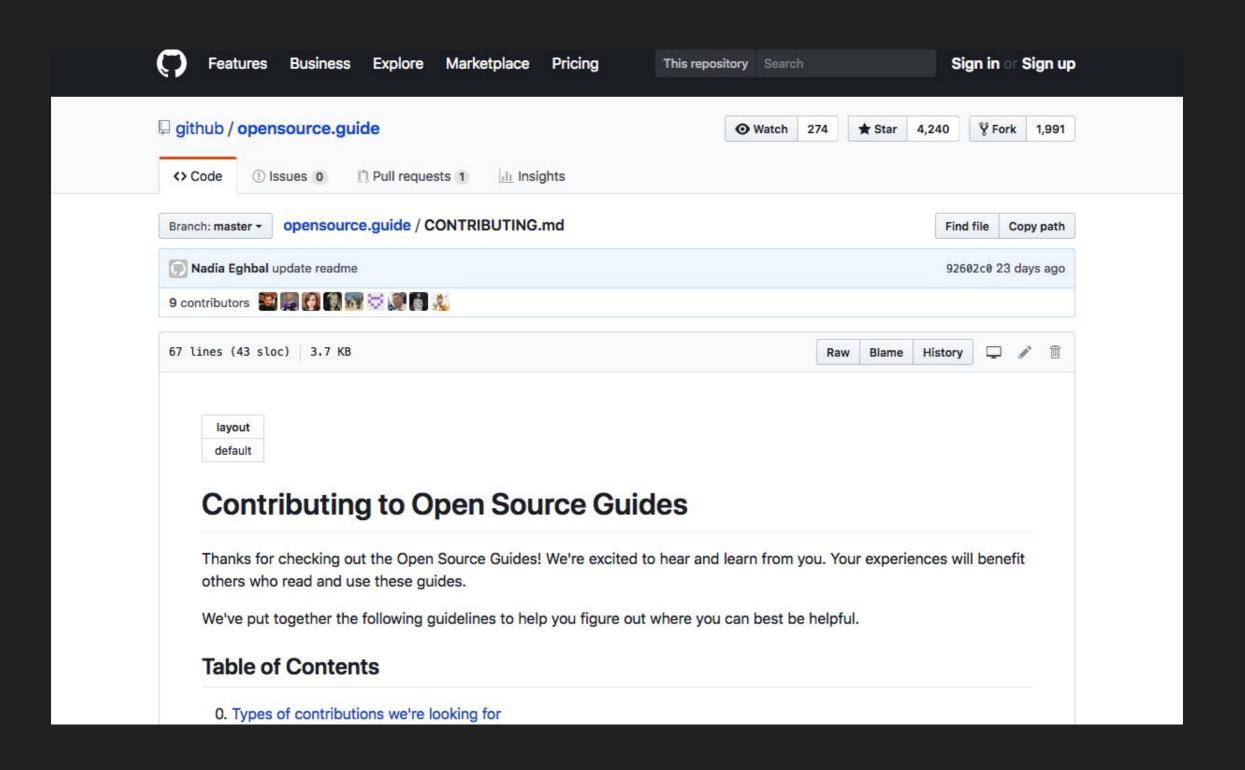
- Taking Open Source UX to the Next Level
- Google Material Theming
- Design Ethics

#### Open Source Guides

Open source software is made by people just like you. Learn how to launch and grow your project.







### Design

Create intuitive and beautiful products with Material Design.



GUIDELINES

#### **Material Theming**

Learn how to customize Material Design to change the look and feel of your UI, expressing brand and style

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#### **Buttons**

From raised buttons to toggles – these crucial

Such changes might sound minor, but they inject new flexibility and personalization into Android apps, websites, and even Material Designs imported over to iOS. That's key, because Material Theming is designed to address Material Design's biggest flaw: That it became monotonous. It was sometimes hard to tell one app's design from another. Everything felt like Google, no matter who made it. The Material Theming plugin allows "Google to look different from developers," acknowledges Matías Duarte, VP of Material Design at Google. "But it is very much two sides of the same coin. So for developers, I think it's important they feel excited to take what they can do to make Material Design theirs."





# Thank you!

Questions or Comments?

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