

# Introduction to LBSCI 700

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# Preliminaries

# The Course

- This is LBSCI 700: The Technology of Information
- Me: Dr. Xu

# About you

Post a brief bio on the Bb Discussion Board:

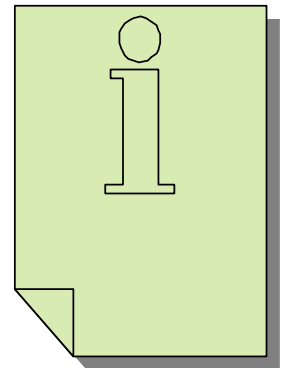
1. 1-2 paragraphs
2. No more than 300 words
3. May be as detailed as you feel appropriate
4. Minimally convey your academic interests and pursuits including your major area of study

# Course Webpage

- Course material (including syllabus) can be found at:  
<https://qcjoan.github.io/LBSCI700/>
- Some material (e.g., homework assignments) will be posted on Bb

# Course Concepts

“..an understanding of the underlying concepts of technology and the critical thinking skills needed to select from multiple formats (hardware, software, and media) for optimized knowledge building.”





## An academic discipline

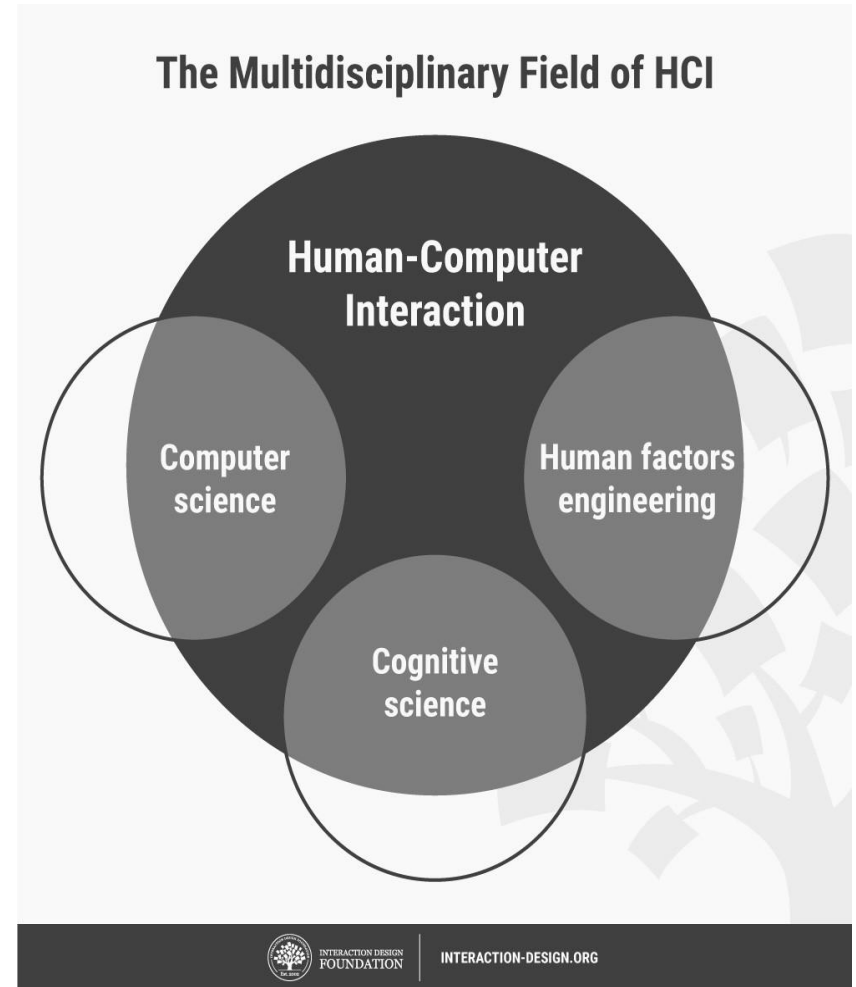
"... a discipline concerned with the design, evaluation and implementation of interactive computing systems for human use and with the study of major phenomena surrounding them."

—Thomas T. Hewett et al., 1992

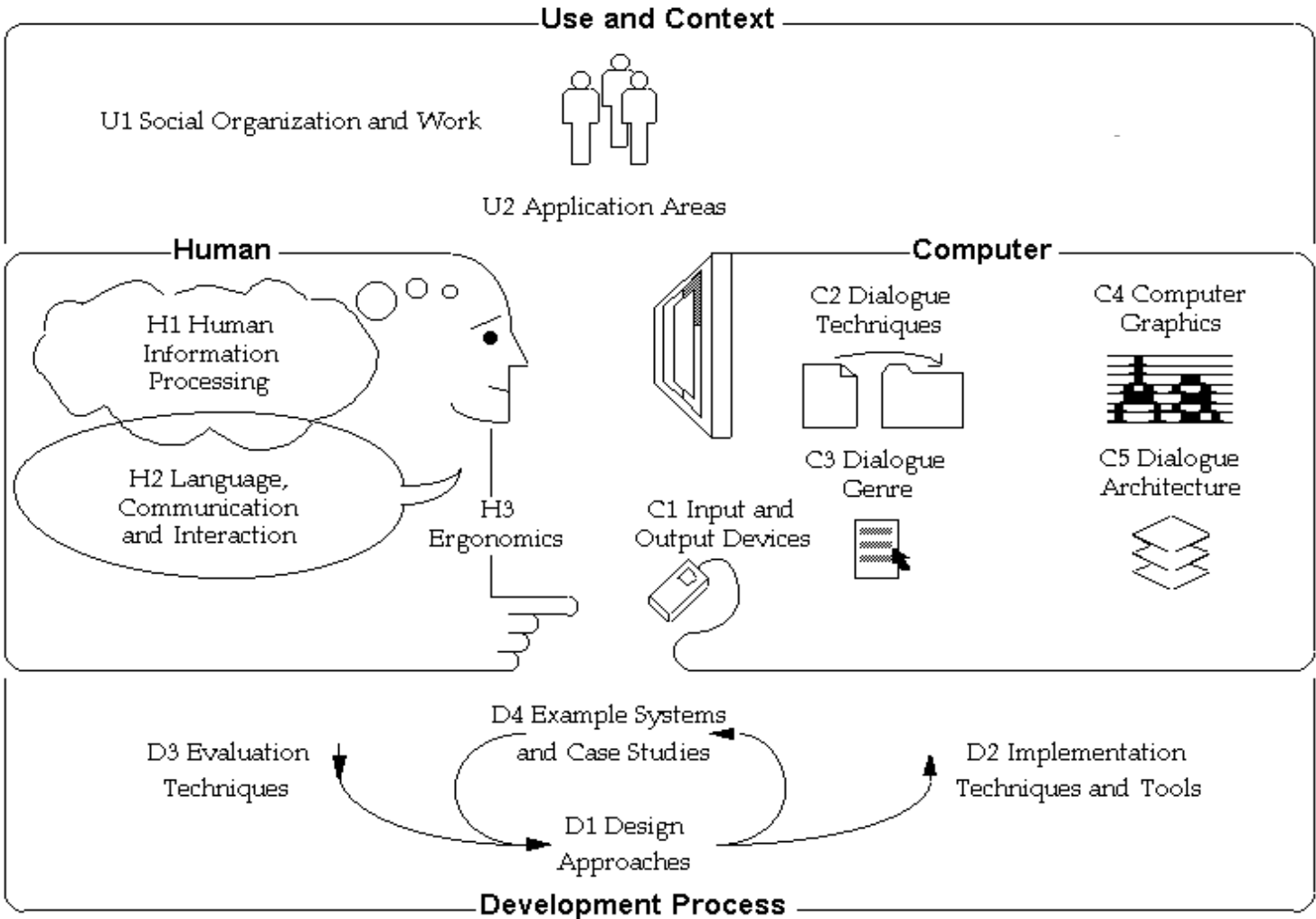
## A design discipline

"...designing interventions for system involving people & technology"

—Alan Dix, 2017



# HCI in action



- GUI
- HTTP
- Web site
  - web pages
  - home page
- Server
  - host

# Browser

- Interpreter
- HTML
- Hyperlink

# Syllabus

# Syllabus

Let's check out the course syllabus:

<https://qcjoan.github.io/LBSCI700/syllabus.html>

# Course Description

- This course is an introduction to the conceptual and practical elements of visual and computer literacy for the library and information science profession.
- You will learn and strengthen the basic skills in the visual and the technological information literacy.
- We will cover an introduction to the social software and other online collaborative tools and emerging technologies.
- A laboratory session following each class will give you the opportunity to apply some of the concepts learned in class and to learn and strengthen basic skills.

# Coding is not optional

- You *will* need to write code
- Learning a new language is not easy, but will be rewarding
- Languages: HTML, CSS...



# Textbooks and Software

➤ Textbooks

➤ Software

# Course Assessment

## ➤ Homework

- I will use your email address from blackboard, so look for email
- Homework posted in blackboard “Weeks” folder
- Start homework early – you will get more out of lecture
- Note: 1<sup>st</sup> HW due on Feb 3

## ➤ In-Class Participation

## ➤ Midterm Exam

## ➤ Group Presentation

## ➤ Final Exam

# More Syllabus

## ➤ Course Outline

Schedule (<https://qcjoan.github.io/LBSCI700/>)

Read before class. And try the exercise.

## ➤ Academic Integrity

Any questions about the syllabus?

# Course Tools

# Software check

- Check that you have or get:
  - Text Editor
    - Notepad
    - TextEdit
  - Multiple web browsers
    - Google Chrome
    - Firefox
    - Internet Explorer 9 or higher
  - FTP Software
    - “WinSCP”
    - “Fugu”

# Other Supportive Tools

- QC Pages

<https://www.qc.cuny.edu/Computing/Documents/How%20To%20Manage%20Personal%20Webpages%20on%20QCpages.pdf>

- Thimble - an online code editor

<https://thimble.mozilla.org/>

- WordPress @ qwriting

<http://qwriting.qc.cuny.edu/>

# Lab Skills

- Tags (markup)
- Programming vs. Design
- W3C
- Versions
  - HTML
  - DHTML
  - XML



# HTML Editors

- Text
- WYSIWYG

# Examine Code of a Webpage

- Open Text Editor
- See there is HTML code and the Basic Tags

HTML <HTML>

HEAD <HEAD>

Title <TITLE>

Body <BODY>

# Practice: HTML5 Step By Step

```
<DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.01 Transitional//EN"  
"http://www.w3.org/TR/html4/loose.dtd">
```

```
<html>
```

```
<head>
```

```
<title>The Garden Company</title>
```

```
</head>
```

```
<body>
```

```
<h1>The Garden Company</h1>
```

```
<p>Welcome to The Garden Company, located in the heart of Central  
Indiana.</p>
```

```
</body>
```

```
</html>
```

# Last Things

# ToDo

- Start homework
  - Look for email
  - Check Bb weekly folder
- Note any questions from reading and homework
- Class 2 on Feb 4: Online lab (look for email)

# Interesting Reading

➤ Deliberate Practice: the making of an expert

<https://hbr.org/2007/07/the-making-of-an-expert>