

Mobile Interface & Usability



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On behalf of the MDV instructors, I would like to congratulate you on completing your first few courses and welcome you to Mobile Interface and Usability (MIU). The goal of this class is to: expand your theoretical knowledge of interface design, gain important personal insight into your design skills, and finally, to build upon your existing skill set.

I know that many of you are anxious to get started, so here are a few things that you can do prior to the availability of the class materials:

- ➤ A Google+ account is required for this class. Please be sure that you add rgroffalarcon@gmail.com to your circle.
- ➤ Create a "gh-pages" branch on your GIT repository; here is the GIT video link: http://media.online.fullsail.edu/storeA/FULLSAIL/faculty/2012/01/gh-pages7ac5a283-54e7-40cf-9e3f-aoc12181aba9.mov.
- ➤ Be sure the JSON.js page contains 20 properly formatted dummy data items.
- > You will be working with your CRUD application from VFW; so, please be sure it is functioning to the minimum VFW requirements.
- > The iPhone Simulator should have been installed in VFW; however, if it was not, you will need to **download the iPhone Simulator** (https://developer.apple.com/devcenter/ios/index.action#downloads or in the App Store). NOTE: the DMG for Xcode 4.3.2 is 4.1 GB and will most likely take several hours to download. I suggest letting it download overnight while you are sleeping. We will discuss this further in the first GoToTraining session.
- ➤ Be sure that you have commented your code so that anyone else who looks at it will be able to follow it; this will also assist in debugging. Continue this practice throughout your coding career.
- ➤ Look over the "Dashboard", "Activities" and "Announcements" sections as soon as possible. This will help you become familiar with the flow of this course and the assignment that is due week one.
- > Finally, if you are repeating this course, please remember that Full Sail policy does not allow you to submit the same work that you have previously submitted.

This course moves rather quickly and a lot of information will be presented. I understand that sometimes life gets in the way; for this reason, the MDV program has a late work policy, which can be found under the "Resources" tab on FSO. This policy creates a points deduction system for any assignment submitted after the original due date. It's designed to prevent you from receiving a flat "zero" in the event that you simply cannot make the due date.

If you find that you will not be able to submit an assignment on time, please take a moment and reach out to me *before the due date*. It is best that you make an effort to communicate with me first, so we can work together to stay on schedule and avoid calling you to find your work. YES, I will call you!

I look forward to working with all of you, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully,

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