

Assignment No. 1

Setting Up to Take This Course

Date Due: **Thursday, September 12, 2019**

Homework weight: 1% of your overall grade

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What This Assignment Is About

This is not a graded assignment. However, this assignment is critical because it will prepare your own system to do proper web development.

What You Are To Do

(1) Complete Your Course Registration, join Piazza and Blackboard

- Begin by completing your registration for this class using the form posted on blackboard.
- Next, join the Piazza class discussion forum (To Sign up: <https://www.piazza.com/uml/fall2019/comp4610>
To access: <https://www.piazza.com/uml/fall2019/comp4610/home>) so that you can get help from your classmates, our teaching assistant (TA), and me if you need it, and likewise provide help to others where you can. We will use this forum throughout the semester for all course-related communications outside of class, so it is critical that you register on it or you will miss important class announcements.
- If you have not already done so, please register/Sign-in at Blackboard Site (<https://lowell.umassonline.net/webapps/login/>). I will be posting most teaching materials here, so it is also critical that you register on it or you will miss important class materials/announcements. Please contact help@uml.edu if you need any help.

What to submit: submit a snapshot/scanned copy of (1) your completed registration for this class, (2) your access to Piazza, and (3) your access to Blackboard site.

(2) Reading

Read the following two articles:

- [A Guide to Becoming a Full-Stack Developer in 2017](#)
- [Roadmap to becoming a web developer in 2018](#)

What to submit: Write a short summary of what you have learned from this reading. It should be at least more than 200 words.

(3) Installing Atom

Atom (<https://atom.io/>) is a free editor from the creators of github. It is cross platform and open source. We will be primarily using this in our course. Please make sure you have the software installed on the machine you plan to work on. <https://atom.io/>

Note: If you do not plan to use Atom and have an editor of your preference. Please indicate that in your submission with a "readme" file.

What to submit: Submit a snapshot of your editor working in your machine.

Submitting Your Assignment for Grading

- a. Submit all materials from section 1-3 on blackboard submission link. No email submission is accepted.
- b. You should submit a total of 5 files in a zip format
- c. If everything discussed above works, you'll be all set for the class.

How You Will Be Graded

As noted on the first page, this is not a graded assignment. However, it is critical for you to set up your system so that you are ready for the next assignment.