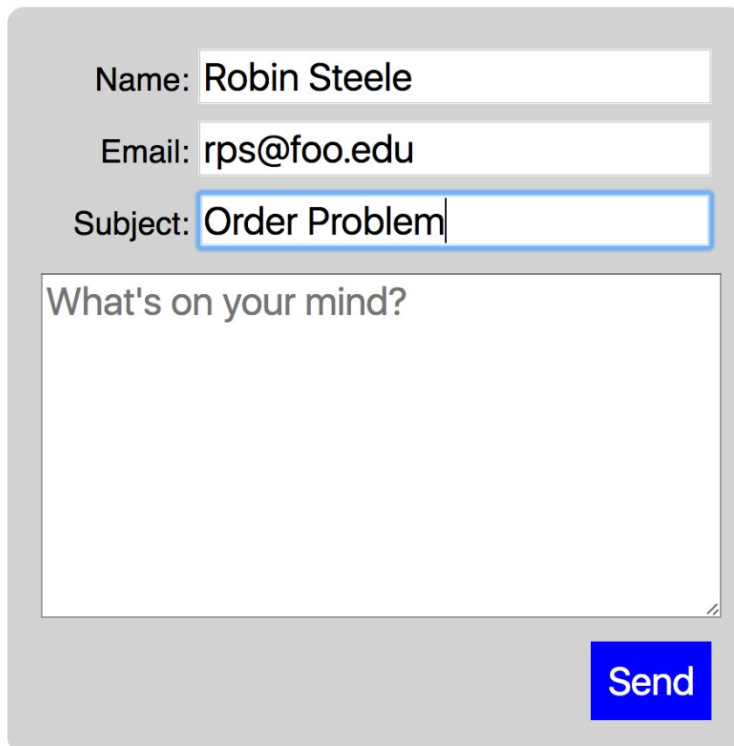


## Forms Exercise Lab (Email Note Request):

Goal: Constructing some forms, which give our page's visitors a chance to contact, comment, and credit card.

- 1- create a directory. Add an html file (e.g., **contact.html** and **contact.css**) and include a boilerplate
- 2- create a form that looks like this:



The image shows a contact form with a light gray background and rounded corners. It contains four input fields and a submit button. The first field is labeled 'Name:' and contains the text 'Robin Steele'. The second field is labeled 'Email:' and contains the text 'rps@foo.edu'. The third field is labeled 'Subject:' and contains the text 'Order Problem'. The fourth field is a large text area with the placeholder text 'What's on your mind?'. A blue 'Send' button is located at the bottom right of the form.

- 3- Make sure you give each form element a **name** attribute identifying the semantic meaning of the data being entered. The form-forwarding services require **name** attributes to be set.

Be sure to match the following:

- padding
- alignment
- colors
- borders
- submit button
- placeholder text in the textarea

Fix the width of the form to some number of pixels. Make each of the first three rows a **label** element, and nest the text description and the **input** element inside.

If we actually wish to communicate the data from a form to a human being or a program that can process it, we must define the form's **method** and **action** attributes.

The location of the webpage that does the emailing or processing is specified as the **action**. We will use a third-party form processing service as the **action**.

Generally, **method** should be **post**, which means the form data is bundled up in something very much like an email attachment and sent to the page specified by **action**. The alternative is **get**, which packs all the form data into the URL/address of the page. This makes the URL very long and unwieldy. You've probably seen these URLs with **get** requests embedded in them. We get them in email all the time

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Follow the service's directions to get your form submitting to your email address.