English 380
Glance
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Project #2: Web Site

Now that you have designed your own web page, I would like you to work together in small groups (of 3 to 5 students) to produce a multi-page web site. This site will be for an English class taught by another member of the English department, but will also show what you have learned and worked on this semester. The intended audience will be three-fold: future students in that English class, future students in this web design course, and faculty and administrators who may wish to see how this pilot program worked. You will need to meet with the instructor in the English class you choose, to determine what information would be useful and appropriate. You might, for example, include the syllabus, sample assignments, images and documents which supplement the study of the literature, and links to existing web sites or relevant e-texts.

As before, you should demonstrate an awareness of good practice for handling page design, navigation, text, links and graphics. You ought to have the diverse audiences in mind for your page, and be conscious of what those viewers will want or need to know about your topic. You should also be aware of those viewers' capabilities when selecting fonts, margins, text and image sizes, links and navigation interfaces. I would like you to present your page as a group on the last day of class, and for each of you to turn in to me a written report explaining your purpose and choices when planning the site, and your role in building it.

Because you will be working on this assignment as a group, you will need to brainstorm together what you want for the site and delegate responsibilities (such as gathering links to other sites, taking and editing photographs, designing buttons and banners, building the HTML, etc.). I would like to have students with all experience levels on each group. Most of the work will occur in class, but you will also need to do some work individually in the lab and at home. I will be happy to assist you on your individual tasks during our class.

The group will get a single grade for the site; you will get an individual grade on your report. The group presentations will occur in class on Tuesday, 29 April. The project and reports are due at my office by Saturday, 3 May. You should submit the project on a CD-R (be sure to include all your files and images on that disk).