

# Web Design Summer Program NYC (High School)

Learn to design websites with Sketch and code the final product with HTML & CSS. In this summer course, high school students learn the essential skills to start designing and developing their own websites.

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## Course Outline

### HTML & CSS

#### Normalize.css, Default Box Model, & More

- Using normalize.css
- Grouping CSS selectors using a comma separator
- Fluid, hi-res images
- Constraining the width of content
- Visualizing the box model (margin, padding, and border) in Chrome's DevTools
- Fixing spacing issues around images
- CSS shorthand for the background property

#### Font-Weight, Font-Style, & Unitless Line-Height

- Adding custom web fonts from Google Fonts
- Using font-weight & font-style
- Unitless line-height

#### Box Model: Content-Box vs. Border-Box

- How border-box is different than content-box
- Best practice for applying border-box to everything

#### Intro to SVG (Scalable Vector Graphics)

- Adding SVG to a webpage
- Sizing SVG
- Web Servers: Configuring a .htaccess file for SVG & gzip

## **CSS Level 1**

### **Embedding SVG**

- Embedding SVG (instead of linking)
- Styling SVG using CSS
- UsingcurrentColor

### **SVG Sprites**

- Defining the SVG sprite
- Using a sprite
- Styling sprites

### **CSS Position Property**

- The static value & the normal document flow
- The relative value
- The absolute value
- The dynamic duo: relative parent, absolute child
- The fixed value

### **Creating a Fixed Navbar & RGBA Color**

- Creating a fixed navbar on wider screens
- RGBA color

## **CSS Level 2**

### **CSS Background Gradients & Gradient Patterns**

- CSS background gradients
- Creating a striped background using gradients

### **Multiple Backgrounds & Viewport Sizing Units (vw)**

- Multiple backgrounds on a single element
- Colorizing a photo by overlaying a transparent gradient
- Using viewport sizing units (vw)

### **Creating Columns with Inline-Block & Calc()**

- Displaying content as columns using inline-block

- Using CSS calc()

## **CSS Variables (Custom Properties)**

- Defining & using CSS variables
- The power of inheritance

## **Relational Selectors**

- Adjacent selectors
- Using first-child & last-child
- Using first-of-type
- Using nth-child
- Direct child/descendant selectors

## **Pseudo-Elements & the Content Property**

- Using pseudo-elements
- The content property
- Seeing pseudo-elements in Chrome's DevTools

## **Attribute Selectors**

- Adding link icons with attribute selectors
- "Ends with" attribute selector
- "Begins with" attribute selector
- "Contains" attribute selector

## **Styling Forms with Attribute Selectors**

- Styling form elements
- Targeting inputs with attribute selectors
- The ::placeholder pseudo element

## **Relative Sizes: Em and Rem**

- Em units
- Rem units

# **Image Handling**

## **Flix: Creating a Scrollable Area**

- Creating a horizontal scrollable area
- Optimizing the scrolling for iOS touch devices

## **Flix: Media Queries for Retina/HiDPI Graphics**

Using media queries to load hi-res images for Retina/HiDPI displays

## **Responsive Images**

- `img srcset`
- The `picture` element

## **Off-Screen Side Nav Using Only CSS**

- Responsive off-screen navigation
- Toggling the navigation with a checkbox
- CSS transitions

## **CSS Level 3**

### **Box-Shadow, Text-Shadow, & Z-Index**

- Using the CSS `box-shadow` property
- Changing an element's default stack order with `position` and `z-index`
- Inset shadows
- Adding drop shadows to text with CSS `text-shadow`
- Layering multiple text-shadows for a detached outline effect

### **Hiding & Showing: Display, Visibility, & Opacity**

- Removing an element from the normal document flow with `display: none`
- Hiding/showing elements with `visibility`
- Hiding/showing elements with `opacity`
- How `display`, `visibility`, & `opacity` differ

### **CSS Transitions**

- `Transition-property` & `transition-duration`
- Transition shorthand & the `all` keyword
- Transitioning position coordinates
- Adding easing with `transition-timing-function`
- Custom easing with `Ceaser`

### **CSS Transforms with Transitions**

- Testing transforms using the DevTools
- Adding a scale transform & transitioning it
- Transform origin
- Rotate & skew transforms
- Using the `translate` transform to nudge elements

## **Flexbox Level 1**

## **Intro to Flexbox**

- Display Flex
- Alignment & Distribution on Main Axis & Cross Axis
- Flex Direction (Row & Column)
- How Auto Margins Are Useful

## **Flexbox: Sizing & Alignment**

- Controlling Size with Flex-Grow, Flex-Shrink, & Flex-Basis
- Aligning All vs. Specific Flex Items
- Nesting Flexbox
- Flex Shorthand

## **Flexbox: Vertical Centering on a Full Screen Background**

- Creating a Full Screen Background
- Using Viewport Sizing Units vh & vw
- Vertically Aligning Content With Flexbox
- Darkening the Background Image Via CSS

## **Flexbox Wrapping**

- Flex-Wrap
- Sizing Flex Items (Flex-Grow & Flex-Basis)

## **Flexbox Level 2 & Bootstrap**

### **Flexbox: Reordering Content**

- Changing the Order of Flex Items
- Positive vs. Negative Order Values

### **Flexbox: Creating a Responsive Pricing Grid**

- Nesting Flexbox
- Application of Flexbox Concepts to a Pricing Grid Layout

### **Bootstrap: Getting Started**

- Using Bootstrap's Grid System (Containers, Rows, & Columns)
- Creating Columns & Adding Content
- Adjusting Column Sizes Across Screen Sizes
- Using Some of Bootstrap's Components & Pre-Made Styles

### **Bootstrap: More About Grids & Components**

- Nesting Grids
- Adding a Navbar & Other Components
- Showing & Hiding Elements at Specific Sizes

## Bootstrap Level 2 & Grid

### Bootstrap: Spacing & Adapting Layout Across Screen Sizes

- Adding an Email Signup Form
- Adjusting Spacing
- Changing the Layout Across Screen Sizes

### Intro to Grid

- Getting Start With Grid (Columns, Rows, & Gaps)
- The Explicit vs. Implicit Grid
- Firefox DevTools for Grid

### Grid: Sizing & Placing Items Within the Grid

- Spanning Columns & Rows
- Placing & Sizing Using Numbered Grid Lines
- Naming Grid Lines

### Grid: Minmax, Auto-Fit, & Auto-Fill

- Sizing with Minmax
- Auto-Fit vs. Auto-Fill
- Max-Content & Min-Content

## Grid Level 2

### Grid: Template Areas

- Setting Up Grid Template Areas
- Creating Empty Grid Areas
- Using Automatically Created Named Lines
- Multiple Elements Occupying the Same Grid Area
- Viewing Grid Template Area Names In Firefox's DevTools

### Grid: Alignment, Centering, & Reordering Content

- Aligning Grid Items
- Aligning Within the Grid Container
- Aligning Individual Grid Items
- Ordering Grid Items

## **Grid: Laying out an Article**

- Using Grid to Lay Out an Article
- Making Elements Go Full-Width
- Adding Elements into the Side Columns

## **Grid: A Responsive Image Gallery (Masonry Layout)**

- Creating the Grid Layout
- Enlarging Some Photos to Create a Masonry Layout

## **Sketch Level 1**

### **Creating New Files & Designing on a Grid System**

- Sketch templates, artboards, & pages
- Creating a new file
- Setting up a layout grid
- Creating colored backgrounds for text
- Importing text

### **Adjusting the Layout for Tablets & Mobile Phones**

- Designing with Bootstrap's grid
- Adapting the design for tablets
- Adapting the design for mobile phones

### **Inserting & Masking Photos**

- Importing photos
- Cropping a photo (masking)
- Custom shaped masks

### **Inserting Vector Graphics, Fills, Shadows, & More**

- Importing & modifying vector graphics
- Making grouped objects easily selectable
- Layer opacity vs. fill opacity
- Aligning & distributing layers
- Reusing colors found in the design
- Adding a drop shadow

## **Sketch Level 2**

### **Shared Graphic Styles (Reusable Appearance)**

- Creating a shared graphic style
- Attributes that are not part of a shared graphic style
- Changing & renaming graphic styles
- Making a style to darken full-width background photos

### **Text Styles (Reusable Appearance)**

- Creating text styles
- Editing text styles
- Renaming styles & organizing into folders

### **Symbols (Reusable Elements)**

- Creating & editing symbols
- Customizing content inside a symbol
- Resizing symbols
- Renaming symbols
- Detaching from a symbol

### **Exporting Assets: SVG & PNG**

- Exporting artboards
- Exporting for web as SVG & PNG
- Exporting into folders

### **Exporting Assets: 1x & 2x JPEG**

- Exporting as JPEG
- Properly setting JPEG quality