



# **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:**

- Web Designer
- Internet Site Designer
- Website Developer
- Intranet Site Designer

Financial Assistance may be available for those who qualify.

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# Web Designer Diploma Program

#### **Program Objective**

This program provides students with the necessary skills and knowledge to build a web design foundation, learn industry-standard software programs, and produce a well-rounded and exciting portfolio. Students learn how to plan and design compelling and interactive websites and learn to use industry-related programs, such as Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, Dreamweaver, and Flash, for website designs.

Students will also explore HTML and CSS for web publishing alongside essential topics, such as accessibility standards, color, typography, and composition, as well as dig into PHP and WordPress development. Web Design graduates develop a professional design process for building a website from concept to launch.

### **Duties and Responsibilities**

Web designers source and combine the textual content, graphics, interactive elements, and navigation structures that comprise websites. Web designers use their artistic and creative vision to design the look and feel of a website and use web software and programming skills to create websites. Duties may include:

- Presenting creative ideas
- Assessing client and end user needs
- Consulting with IT professionals to determine how best to incorporate a website into existing frameworks
- Designing the typography, layout, and look and feel of web pages
- Designing and incorporating graphics and interactive elements
- Sourcing, selecting, and organizing information for inclusion in a website
- Testing website functionality
- Updating web content and maintaining websites

#### Competencies and Core Courses

Keyboarding

Minimum 25 words per minute (WPM)

Operating Systems

Basic level of proficiency in a Windows operating system

Word Processing

Basic level of proficiency in Microsoft Word

Office Skills

Internet Fundamentals and Personal Computer Fundamentals for Technical Users

Business Skills

Workplace Success/Intrapreneurship, Marketing & Sales, and Customer Service

Web Design

Introduction to Web Design, Web 101, HTML and CSS Essentials, Color Theory, Fundamentals of Typography, Dreamweaver 1 and 2, Information Design, Flash Basics, JavaScript for Designers, Web Design 1, Dynamic Web Development with PHP, WordPress Development, Web Practical Simulation, and Web Portfolio Design

Graphics/Presentation

Photoshop Basics and Illustrator Basics

Job Readiness/Employability Skills
Job Search and Résumé Writing and Strategies for Success

## Career Opportunities

Recent studies indicate that strong growth in web design jobs, particularly in the consulting sector, is expected over the next few years. Career opportunities that will allow students to communicate and captivate with the skills learned in this program include:

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