

Intro to Web Development

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What is web development?

- Creation of applications hosted over internet (i.e. websites)
- Includes design, publishing, programming, database management

Frontend development

- Client side
- Part of website user sees/interacts with
- Common languages/libraries/frameworks: HTML, CSS, Javascript, React.js, VueJS, Bootstrap, etc.

UI design

- User interface layout of application
- Buttons, text, images, forms, etc.
- Animations, transitions, screen layout
- Styling, visual elements

UX design

- User experience interactions with website or app
- Ease in using UI elements
- Determine how user interface operates, functionality

Backend development

- Server side
- Part user cannot see or interact with
- Store and manage data
- Common languages/libraries/framework: PHP, Java, Python, Node.js,
 Django, Express, Spring, etc.

Full stack

Work both front end and back end

Design Process



Project definition and scope

- Overview
- Determine objectives of website
- Outline specific deliverables, deadlines

Sitemap

- Consider key pages
- Determine overall navigation
- Wireframes guide for content on page
 - Figma, UXPin, Adobe XD, InVision
 Freehand, Lucidchart, Balsamiq



Web Design

- Create visual style
- Design should be appropriate to goals
- Branding
- Research!



More on Figma...

Development

- Implement designs
- Use wireframes
- Create content for website (images, videos, etc.)



Testing and Launch

- Address issues (various types) before site goes live
- Test on multiple devices, browsers
- Launch!

Maintenance

- Respond to user feedback
- Update website content
- Fix bugs



Considerations

- Purpose, audience, message
- Display on different screen sizes, browsers
- Convenience, accessibility for user
- Privacy

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