



UX Designer Professional Work-Study – Program Outline

Brief Program Description

User Experience (UX) Design and User Interface (UI) Design are two sides of user-centred design. UX Design explores what it means to user-centred. Tamwood International College UX Designer Professional Work-Study Program provides learners with core knowledge and skills required to start a career as an UX Designer, Information Architect, UX Researcher, Product designer, or Interaction designer. Throughout the UX program, learners will learn both foundations and fundamentals of user experience design. Learners will acquire tools and perspectives from knowledgeable professionals that help them discover and define problems, create and test solutions, and deliver desired results.

The courses in UX program are provided with a variety of activities through classroom demonstrations, observations, individual practice and group works. The co-op placement after the foundations of training, allows learners to apply the knowledge and skills gained in class to the professional environment in the research, design and testing of interfaces, websites, products and applications.

Career Occupation

UX Designer, Information Architect, UX Researcher, Product Designer, and Interaction Designer Positions.

Admission Requirements

- Minimum 19 years of age prior to the start of the study period or graduation from grade 12
- An in-person or virtual (skype) interview
- English requirements for international students:
 - TOEFL iBT score 46 or higher
 - IELTS Academic score 5.5 or higher
 - Cambridge exam equivalency: Cambridge FCE
 - Demonstrate level 5 English with Tamwood’s online test and interview
 - Tamwood Language Centre’s level 5 is presented
 - Successful completion of Tamwood Language Centre EAP 193

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Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this program successful, learners will have reliably demonstrated the ability to:

- Demonstrate an understanding of the UX lifecycle process, and current trends in the fields of digital interfaces and user experience.
- Research, document, and deploy interface improvements integrated into multi-level prototypes using industry tools and methodologies.
- Acquire key tools of the trade from knowledgeable professionals in UX design
- Demonstrate best practices in visual design and system design
- Produce a portfolio of work that effectively applies UX best practices and processes to meet business needs across multiple industries and product types
- Apply foundational UX concepts, like user-centered design, accessibility, and equity-focused design

Method(s) of Evaluation

Throughout the program, learners will be evaluated through the following:

- Lectures
- In class exercises / Case studies
- Demonstrations
- Presentations
- Individual Assignments/Projects/portfolios
- Group Projects

Completion Requirements

In order to graduate from the program with the skills and competencies work as an UX Designer in professional environment, learners must meet Tamwood's attendance requirement and complete all assigned projects to the satisfaction of the criteria set out by each course in the program.

Program Duration

960 hours, 48 weeks

Homework Hours

120 hours

Delivery Method(s)

In-class instruction

Required course materials

Each learner will be required to bring a laptop (Mac) with at least 2GB of RAM and a 1.6 GHz 64-bit processor and have installed Mac OS 10.10 or higher. Learners will also be required to subscribe to the Adobe Creative Suite and purchase a license for Sketch. Additional required course materials listed in course outlines.



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Program Organization

Course Name	Hours
Foundations of User Experiences (UX)	80
Fundamentals of User Experience (UX) Design	80
Visual Design for User Experience (UX)	80
Design Tools for User Experience (UX)	80
Introduction to Quality Assurance for User Experience (UX)	80
Preparing User Experience (UX) Professionals for the Workplace	80
Co-op	480
TOTAL	960