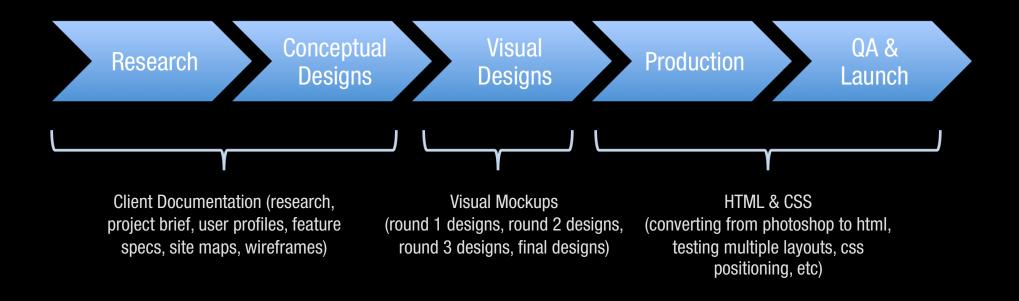


THE DESIGN PROCESS

USER PERSPECTIVE

Client needs, User needs, Usability, Features, Site Organization, Visual Designs

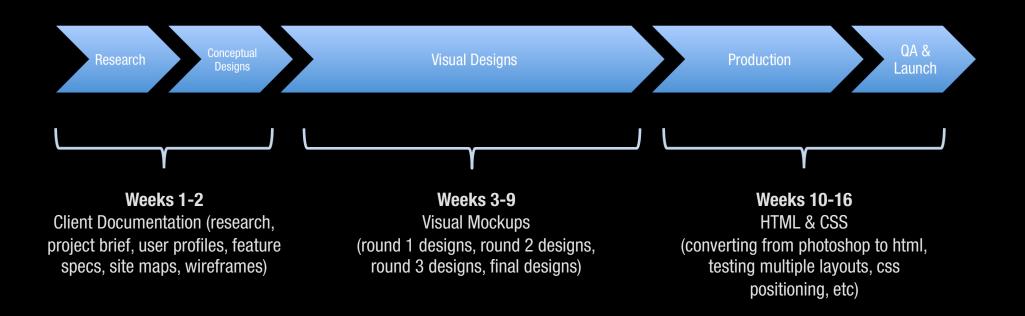


SYSTEM PERSPECTIVE

System needs, Scripting & Programming Languages, Content Management, Site Maintenance, Site Validation

THE DESIGN PROCESS

A MORE REALISTIC TIME ALLOCATION (for this course):





SOME TIPS FOR CHOOSING A CLIENT

- » Try to choose a small client that needs a relatively small site (4-5 pages; no more than 10 max).
- » If you unsure of which site you will choose, or if you have multiple options to choose from, do a creative brief for each of your potential options, and we will help you choose one in class.

SOME TIPS FOR CONSTRUCTING A CREATIVE BRIEF

- » Conduct preliminary research on your web site and put together a creative brief. Your creative brief should include the following:
 - » Project Title, Project Summary, Primary Objective, Target Audience, Analysis of Competition/ Competitors, List of Assets needed, Examples of existing look and feel (visuals), and anything else that is important.



SOME TIPS FOR CONSTRUCTING A CREATIVE BRIEF

- » Do plenty (several hours) of background research on your client, their competitors, and the industry
 - » Become familiar with your client's mission, primary objectives, and culture/personality
 - » Take a look at all competitor sites (both small and large raise the bar)
 - » Identify the user base (to enable you to use user-centered design practices)
- » Use Microsoft Word (or other word processing application capable of easily making .doc or .pdf files such as Open Office Writer).
 - » Do not spend too much time making it look pretty it's the content that counts.
- » Be brief (1-2 pages)
- » Use visuals (i.e. screenshots) to help describe certain aspects of your brief
 - » ie. existing look & feel (screenshot of existing site), competitor site screenshots, etc.
- » Look at the student examples from past years.



IF YOU EVER HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THE PROJECT, PLEASE USE LAULIMA

» Post any questions, concerns, etc. on the discussion board in Laulima.



