



Dear *Digital Art and Design* students,

Welcome! This will be an exciting semester! I am looking forward to seeing the work you create.

Below is information to review before our first class. There are some quests below, look for your group, check out the video I made you, and more. Complete all of these items before class and have questions ready for me during your class meeting time.

A. QUICK REFERENCE INFORMATION:

- _1. Start Video: <https://youtu.be/yh2udMmJrJM>
- _2. Learning Platforms: Blackboard [& some Microsoft Teams]
- _3. Course website with Assignment Links: <http://www.carriedyer.com/-t-.html#courses>
- _4. Direct Link to Syllabus: https://carriedyer.com/assets/dad_syllabus_f_2021.pdf
- _5. Direct Link to Calendar: https://carriedyer.com/assets/dad_calendar_f_2021.pdf

B. COMPLETE before CLASS: Please try to complete the following before our first class period.

- _1. Review Syllabus and watch the course Start Video using link above. This will cover general getting started and highlights of the syllabus. ****Make sure to review the Syllabus and Calendar before the first day of class. I will answer questions about the Syllabus the first Day of class.**
- _2. Try to go ahead and purchase books and an external hard drive. You will need these soon.
- _3. Log into Blackboard and take a look at the Assignments tab.
- _4. ADOBE CREATIVE CLOUD: Download the Adobe Creative Cloud on your computer. There is a version available through OIT. If you need help contact OIT below. <https://www.adobe.com/> If you are having trouble contact OIT with information below and let me know. Do not panic if you are having trouble. We will figure it out.

OIT Contact Information: Office of Information Technology, first floor, Norcross Building.

_Online: <http://helpdesk.highpoint.edu>

_Email: helpdesk@highpoint.edu

_Phone: 336-841-HELP(4357)

_Support Hours: Mon-Fri: 7:30am to 6:00pm, Sat: 7:30am to 4:00pm

__C. Required Textbooks & Hard Drive:

- __1. *Graphic Design Thinking*, by Ellen Lupton, ISBN-10: 1568989792
 - __2. *Design Is Storytelling*, by Ellen Lupton, ISBN-10: 194230319X
 - __3. *Graphic Design: The New Basics*, by Ellen Lupton, ISBN-10: 9781616893323
 - __4. *Area 2*, by Editors of Phaidon Press, ISBN-10: 0714848557
 - __5. An External Hard Drive or Flash Drive is required. I highly recommend the Lacie Rugged external hard drives. They are made for traveling back and forth and I have used them for 14 years. Below is an example of one of the models. They work well with the industry standard Macintosh computers. Lacie Rugged 2T External Hard Drive is Recommended:
<https://www.amazon.com/dp/B01N7QFZLQ/ref=cm_sw_em_r_mt_dp_PaTmFb3FG7ZJM>
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--P.S.- See attached picture of our dog Luca. He is the best.
Send pictures of your favorite furry friends!

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