

COMP 1140 Web for Business

Memo From: Pawel Buda, Instructor
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Welcome to **COMP 1140 - Web for Business** – it will be my privilege to coordinate your learning activities for this course as your instructor.

Let's cover a few start-up details so your online learning through South Central Online is a rewarding experience. The course begins on January 9, 2017, and it is necessary that you begin participating at that time.

Here are some things I want you to know before we meet online.

Textbook information:

TITLE: *HTML & CSS: Design and Build Websites*, 1st Edition
Author: Duckett
Publisher: John Wiley & Sons, 2011
ISBN: 9781118008188

Source: <http://www.southcentralbookstore.com>

Other necessary supplies:

- **NotePad++** - Available free at <http://notepad-plus-plus.org> or **Atom** – Available free at <https://atom.io/>. Text editors are used in several computer careers courses.
- **GIMP** - The GNU Image Manipulation Program available from <http://www.gimp.org>. This is free, open-source software. If you own a copy of PhotoShop you may use it as an alternative.
- **Firefox browser with the FireBug add-on** (<http://www.mozilla.org/en-US/firefox/all.html>)
Or
Microsoft Internet Explorer
Or
Google's Chrome available at www.google.com/chrome
- **Irfanview** - <http://www.irfanview.com/> - free Windows graphic viewer
- **Skitch** - <http://skitch.com/> - free Mac graphic viewer
- At least one flash drive (be smart and have a regular backup system in place for the data on your flash drives)

Instructor contact information:

Throughout the semester, contact me privately using D2L Brightspace's mail feature that will send an e-mail to my South Central College e-mail account (Pawel.Buda@southcentral.edu) Use this same e-mail address if you need to contact me before the start of the semester. You may also contact me by phone at 507-389-7485 (office). I will try to answer all course e-mail quickly. However, I urge you not to save questions until Friday nights. My office is located in C- 157a on the North Mankato campus.

You need access to a computer to participate in this course. Your computer will need:

- access to an Internet connection
- current, supported web browser... Newest version of Firefox or Microsoft Internet Explorer 11.0

- check <http://online.southcentral.edu/students/skillsrequirements.html> for complete technology specs

Course access:

You will have Internet access to the course content through D2L Brightspace. Set your URL to <https://southcentral.ims.mnscu.edu> to Login and you'll reach the course information. Courses will be available January 9, 2017.

Your D2L Brightspace login information is based on your **MnSCU StarID**. To activate your StarID account visit <https://starid.mnscu.edu/>.

To access more information about South Central Online, go to <http://online.southcentral.edu/students>.

Again, WELCOME. I'll see you on the Web!