

Course Description: This course will introduce you to advanced concepts of Dreamweaver MX. Students will work with advanced Web site creation features including libraries and behaviors, as well as many of the new features available within the HTML 4 standard including style sheets and layers. By the end of the course, students will be able to create Web sites that include simple rollovers, complex navigation bars, and page elements that provide visual feedback.

Who Should Attend: Web designers or prospective Web designers with any level of experience who want to use Dreamweaver's advanced features to create complex Web sites efficiently will benefit from this course.

Prerequisites: Students should have taken Dreamweaver MX: Level 1.

Benefits of Attendance: Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

- Create dynamic user-interface elements, including simple rollovers and complex navigation bars.
- Use libraries to manage repeating site elements.
- Define keyword, description, and other meta tags in order to make your site visible to automatic search engine spiders.
- Create CSS styles to streamline text formatting within a page.
- Create external style sheets to allow formatting within a page.
- Create external style sheets to allow formatting information to be used throughout a site.
- Create and manage layers, as well as combine layers with behaviors to provide additional visual feedback for viewers.
- Use the History panel to simplify repetitive tasks both within a single document and with other documents in a site.
- Target page content to specific browsers and versions; add a form to your web page.

Course Outline:

Rollovers And Navigation Bars

Rollovers
Adding Image States to a Navigation Bar using Behaviors
Using the Insert Navigation Bar Tool
Flash Buttons and Text

Libraries

Creating a Library
Modifying Library Items within the Library Panel

Defining Head Elements And Managing Keyboard Shortcuts

Defining Head Elements
Editing Meta Tags
Customizing Keyboard Shortcuts

Style Sheets

Defining Style Sheets
Applying Style Sheets to Multiple Pages

Layers

Creating Layers
Using the Layers Panel
Layer Styles
Layers and Behaviors
Inserting Rich Media Objects

The History Panel

The History panel
Recording Steps
Saving Steps to the Commands Menu

Browser Targeting And Code Tools

Browser Compatibility
Converting Pages to Earlier Versions
Browser Checking
Coding Tools

Creating Forms

Setting Up Forms
Adding Form Elements
Validating and Testing Forms