

**Information Systems
Pre-Course Assignment**

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Goals

- Make sure you are equipped and ready to go!

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Tasks

1. Follow along by watching this "Pre-Course" video

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Course Introduction Video

- Watch the “Course Introduction” video

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Support Videos

- Watch the “Who is Dr. Jerz” video
- Watch the “Videos, Podcasts, and iTunes” video
- Watch the “Overview of Moodle” video

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Review the Syllabus

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ICON and Moodle

- Verify that you can see the course in ICON
- Create your Moodle account

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Moodle

- Using the major Moodle elements
 - Introduce yourself (**forum**)
 - Upload a photo (**assignment**)
 - Student survey (**quiz**)

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Podcasts

- Lecture videos
- Company tour videos
- Administrative videos

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Textbook

- Browse the textbook

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Any Problems?

- Let me know if you have any problems

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Using Lynda.com

- Log in: <http://lynda.uiowa.edu>
- Find the video titled "Manage a Hosted Web Site" with Ray Villalobos
- Watch the episodes shown on the Pre-course resources webpage
 - This will acquaint you to establishing your GoDaddy web-server account
- Explore other training courses on Lynda.com

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Create your GoDaddy Web Server Account

- **Two methods:**
 - **Do it yourself** via GoDaddy's website
 - **Phone** GoDaddy
- **Create your account**
 - You will need a credit card and pay for the entire 1 year
 - Consider buying **privacy**
 - **Do not buy** anything extra beyond **privacy**
- **Think about your "domain name"** prior to creating your GoDaddy account

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Two Ways to Buy Server

1. www.godaddy.com
2. **Phoning** a representative

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Create Your "Homepage"

- **Must be in the public_html folder**
- **Your homepage is name "index.html"**
- **Post your homepage URL on Moodle**

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Microsoft "Imagine"

- Watch for an **email** from Microsoft Imagine with your login credentials
- Log into Imagine
- Download MS Visio
- Browse for other "free" software

- Download MS Windows (7, 8, or 10) if needed

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Installing Visio

- Extract ISO image and burn to DVD
- PC – install Visio from DVD
- Macintosh
 - Install PC emulator
 - Create a virtual machine
 - Install Windows
 - Install Visio

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Get and Install Tableau

1. Download the product
 - Works on both the PC or Mac
2. Install Tableau. Use the License Code shown on the Pre-Course webpage

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Uiowa Virtual Desktop

- Typically requires “helper” software
- Typically requires help from STSG (Stead) or ITS
- Give it a try!

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Participate in Discussions

- Let us know how everything went for you
- This is fun!

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