

Privacy Policy & Terms of Use

Intro to App Design—Massive Open Online Course

PRIVACY AND OTHER TERMS RELATED TO THE “INTRO TO APP DESIGN” COURSE

The University of Alberta is committed to providing our staff, students, and visitors with websites that respect their privacy. This page summarizes the privacy policy and practices for this University of Alberta website and for the on-line course “Intro to App Design”, located at <http://introtoappdesign.appspot.com/>.

PRIVACY AND OTHER TERMS SPECIFIC TO THE ONLINE COURSE “INTRO TO APP DESIGN”

I. Protection of Privacy

Registration in this course asks you to enter information such as your age, country of origin, etc. The personal information requested on this form is collected under the authority of Section 33 (c) of the Alberta *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* and will be protected under Part 2 of that *Act*. It will be used for the purpose of analytics and reporting throughout and at the conclusion of the course; these will be done on an aggregated, statistical basis only.

Direct any questions about this collection to: Director, DiscoverE, E2-040C ETLC
University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB, T6G 2V4, (780) 492-8986.

II. Age Restrictions

Registration and participation in this course is open to everyone. In order to register, you will need to have a Google account. As per the Gmail Terms and Conditions, users must be over the age of 13 to create their own account. If you are under the age of 13, you will need to get your parent or guardian to create the Google account for you. Please talk to your parent or guardian about creating a Google account and participating in this online course.

III. Discussion Forum

The discussion forum is open for all participants to use as a place to ask questions and share suggestions with others. To ensure the safety of all participants, all comments will be moderated by DiscoverE before they are posted to the forum.

Negative, derogatory, or predatory behaviour will not be accepted and may lead to an individual being banned from the course.

IV. User Accounts

If your user account is inactive for 30 consecutive days, your course access may be revoked. Any information you provided will be deleted in an effort to safeguard your personal information. If your access is revoked, you are welcome to re-register in the course.

V. Links to External Sites

This course uses two pieces third-party software called Eclipse and Android Studio. Eclipse and Android Studio operate independently of the University of Alberta and DiscoverE. We are not responsible for the content and the privacy practices of other websites and software. We encourage you to examine the privacy policies and disclaimers for Eclipse and Android Studio, and make your own decisions regarding the accuracy, reliability, and correctness of the material and information found.

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I. Information collected automatically via the Internet

The University of Alberta logs http requests on our server. These logs capture computer information, navigation, and clickstream data.

Some of the information collected does not identify who you are. Other information, such as your domain name or IP address, may identify you depending on the naming standards followed by your Internet Service Provider. You may wish to ask them about their policies and practices.

Although we make no attempt to link the information captured to the identity of individuals, the information captured does identify the following:

- a. the Internet domain and IP address from which you access our website
- b. the type of browser and operating system used to access our site
- c. the screen resolution of your monitor
- d. the date and time you access our site
- e. the pages you visit
- f. the address of any website which linked you to our website

This information is used to help us make our site more useful to our audiences by learning about the number of visitors to our site, and by monitoring traffic patterns and the types of technology our visitors use. We do not track or record information about specific individuals and their visits. Visitor information is not disclosed to anyone except University of Alberta personnel who need the information for legitimate business purposes such as responding to a request.

II. Cookies

A cookie is a small piece of text information that is sent to your browser when you access a website. Your browser will return this cookie information to the domain where the cookie originated. We do not regularly use cookies to track how our visitors use the site. When cookies are used, they may be used to help you fill in forms or track your use of the sites. The length of time that the cookie will reside on your machine will depend on the specific setup of the particular sites you visit. If you are concerned about the use of cookies, you can refer to the help information in your browser software for information on how to disable cookies. If you wish to

delete cookies from your machine, consult your browser's help files for instructions on how to do so.

III. Cookies used on some sites

A number of University of Alberta websites (such as the one you are viewing now) use dynamically driven content. These pages use two specific cookies to define the parameters of the site you are visiting. These tokens are identified by your browser as CFIDE and CFTOKEN. These cookies do not gather or submit any information on users visiting the site.

IV. Security

For site security purposes, the University of Alberta employs software programs to monitor network traffic that identifies unauthorized attempts to upload or change information, or otherwise cause damage. Except for authorized law enforcement investigations, no other attempts are made to identify individual users or their usage habits.

V. Information collected in emails and web forms

Should you choose to provide us with personal information—as in an email or by filling out a form and submitting it to us through our website—we will use that information to respond to your message and to help us get the information you have requested, or as described above. The University of Alberta does not collect personal information for commercial marketing or distribution to any private organizations. Messages sent via the Internet can be intercepted. If you are concerned about sending your personal information to us via the Internet, you can use another method such as fax or regular mail.

VI. Google Analytics

The University of Alberta uses Google Analytics to gather statistics on portions of its website. The University of Alberta will use the information gathered to improve digital services for its patrons.

Google Analytics employs cookies to define user sessions, which allows for the collection of important data about how our patrons are using this site. Google Analytics uses only first-party cookies for data analysis. This means that cookies are

linked to the University of Alberta's website domain(s), and the University of Alberta will only use the collected data and cookies for aggregate statistical analysis, which may include analysis related to your browsing behaviour.

According to Google, the data collected can not be altered or retrieved by services from other domains. If you choose, you can opt out by turning off cookies in the preferences settings in your browser. For more information on Google Analytics, please visit Google's website.

VII. Getting more information

For questions or comments regarding this policy, or for additional information about the administration of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, contact the University of Alberta Information and Privacy Office.