

Graphic Design Portfolio: Printed Portfolio—(Student Self-Grading Rubric)

Complete this form, use it as notes when you present to class, and hand it in with your work for a final grade.

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Overview: You will create a graphic designer’s printed portfolio with 10–15 printed samples. Employers in the graphic design industry say that you still need a printed portfolio AND an online portfolio (Behance.net) when you apply for a job. You will make a completed portfolio case with at least 10 samples mounted in it. Design your own unique and consistent page layout (use the template below as a starting point). All pages mounted neatly in an 11”x14” portfolio case. Make life-size mock-ups of everything you can (brochures, packaging, booklets, etc. These go in the back folder, and you will take them out during an interview.

Be prepared to explain how your design work uses the list below to deliver your message visually to your audience.

Briefly describe your project:

Message (3–5 words):

Where and how will it be used?

Audience (location, age, interests, lifestyle):

Grading scale design examples: craigkunce.com/student-self-evaluation-forms/	Needs		Almost	
	Incomplete	Improvement	Client-Ready	Client-Ready
1. Presentations & Critiques —Professionally and influentially present your work				
• Presentation and Critique 1 - (Three final pages, fully designed, for your printed portfolio)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
• Presentation and Critique 2 - (Three final pages, fully designed, for your printed portfolio)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2. Followed Instructions —Appropriate software & equip, specs, size, color mode, resolution, brand guidelines	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Production quality —is accurate, neat, clean, organized, and professional	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Content —You included enough design elements to deliver your message	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3. Ten Final Printed Pages in your Portfolio Case				
Each element listed below should harmonize with the others	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Design Style (Fits all other design elements listed here)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Typography (Is also legible)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Color (Is also harmonious)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Photos / art / video	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sound	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Layout / flow / timing / transitions / motion	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Repeatable design elements / brand assets	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
4. Ethics & Copyright				
You used copyright-free layouts, designs, fonts, photos, art, videos, and sound	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
5. Final Project Presentation —Professionally and influentially present your work	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Critique feedback from instructor and other students. How you can improve:

Reflection Questions

What are the three most important things you learned from this project?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

What three areas still need improvement?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

What three aspects of this project are you most proud of?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.