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*EDC to offer Web Design course as part of Tech Training Accelerator Initiative.*

The Economic Development Council (EDC) of San Juan County will facilitate a Web Design learning cohort this fall, as part of their Tech Training Accelerator Initiative.

The upcoming course will present an introduction to the skills needed for a career as a web designer, beginning in September of this year. The course will be offered online through Udemy, and a cohort of students will meet each week with an EDC advisor to achieve successful benchmarks, working through the course materials on their own schedules.

In this course, students will learn the latest best practices in web design and UX/UI. It introduces in-demand tools like Figma and Webflow to show a full website development workflow from start to finish, efficiently getting students from zero to a point where they can get hired or win freelance contracts. The curriculum is very hands on, and students will complete over a dozen small assignments along the way. This low-cost course is open to participants from San Juan County, ages 18 and older, who are looking to enter careers in the web design field or supplement their income with freelance web design work.

The course will be broken into weekly assignments that can be completed on one's own schedule, averaging 5 hours per week. The EDC will host advisory meetings via Zoom on Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m., from September 20 to November 1, 2022. These meetings will give participants the opportunity to check in with the rest of the group, discuss course material, and ask questions.

Details: Web design course will run from September 20 through November 1, 2022. A \$30 registration fee is required. For information or to register, please visit <https://sanjuansedc.org/tech>. For questions, please contact the EDC's Tech Training Coordinator, Jillian Urbach, at (360) 378-2906, or [jillian@sanjuansedc.org](mailto:jillian@sanjuansedc.org).

*The Economic Development Council (EDC) of San Juan County strives to support small rural enterprises and conduct projects to stimulate new job creation, strengthen the economic base for working families, and support overall quality of life for islanders. The EDC thanks their partners in their Tech Training Accelerator Initiative: The Town of Friday Harbor, San Juan County, and the Raynier Institute.*

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