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Student Movie Review Blog



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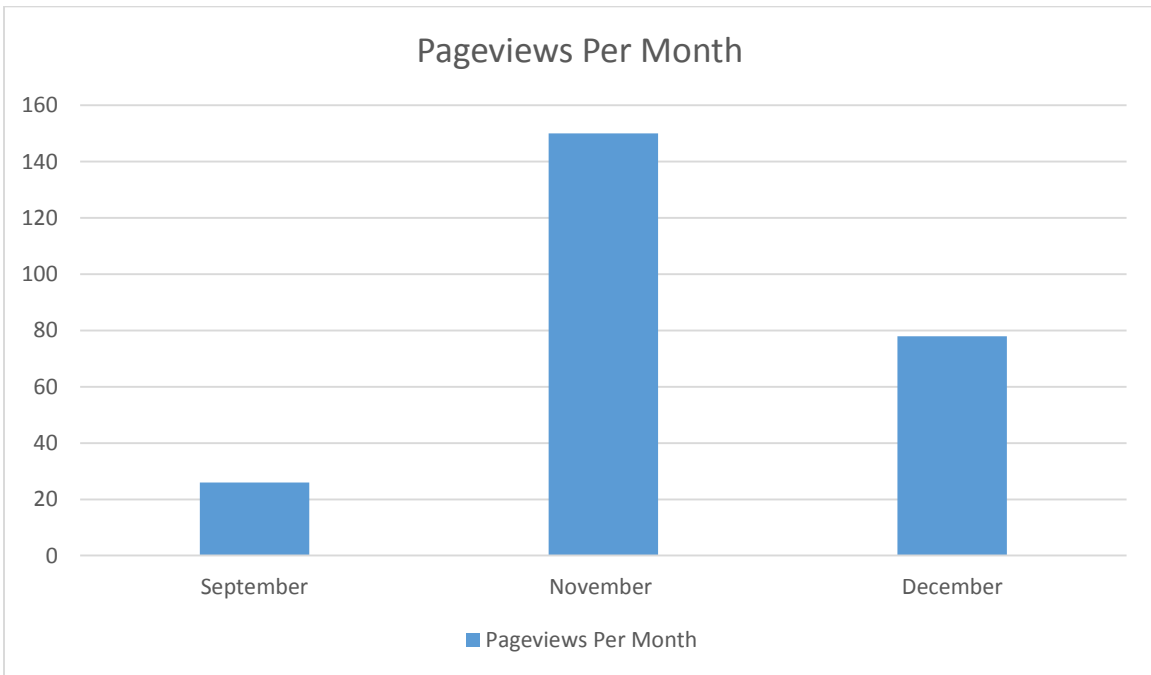
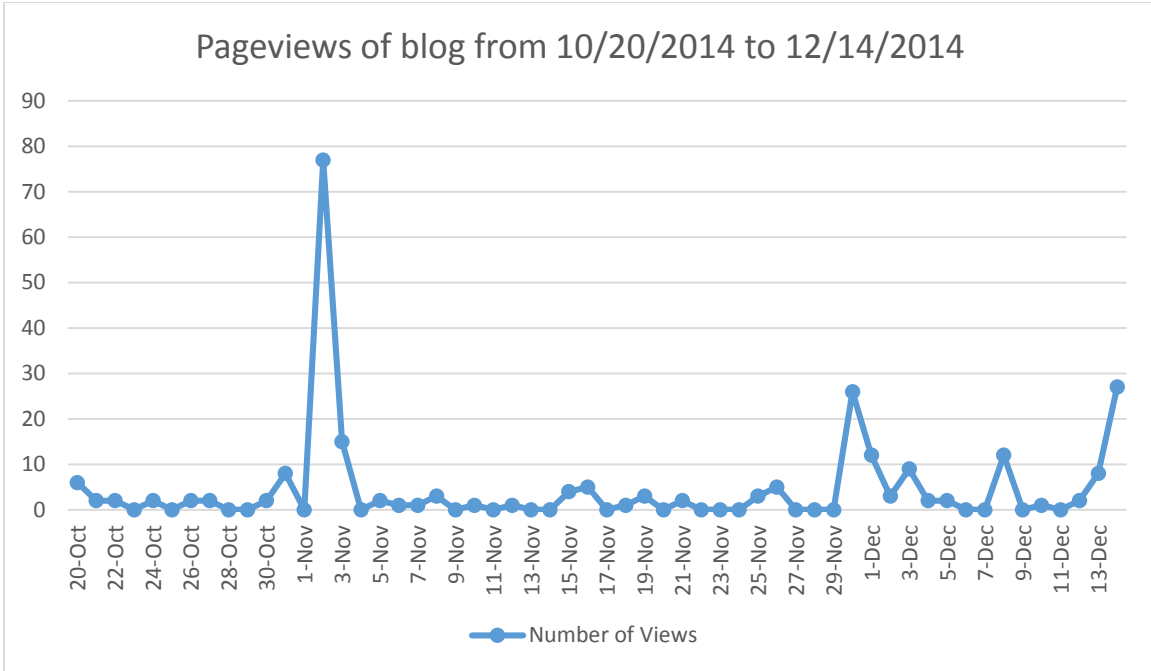
Final Status Report and URL

Our team decided to create a blog that contained movie reviews from students. Our blog progressed very well over the semester. Each week our team would discuss new strategies to continue to develop the blog and how to make it more successful. The blog became stronger over the course of the semester, began to have more visitors, and grew in posts as well as comments. One of the big challenges our group faced was getting outside professionals to post on the blog. We had to personally reach out to individuals and ask them for their help. This did increase the number of professional responses and created a conversation rather than simply just having posts in the blog. Overall we feel like this project's success was achieved by the communication of each team member. We created a blog that can continue to expand in the future and develop. You can visit the blog at <http://studentmoviereviews.weebly.com/>.

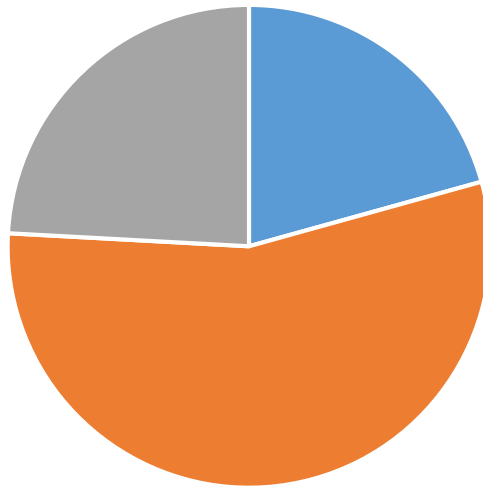
Blog Charts and Graphs

Blog Posts and Comments Report Listing

	Number of Blog Posts	Number of Comments
<u>MIS Project Team</u>		
Kaylene Comfort	2	0
Leah Parrino	2	1
Adrian Hall	3	0
Total Contributed by Project Team:	5	1
<u>Outside Professionals</u>		
James O'Brien	0	1
Chris Jones	0	1
Leah Scola	1	2
Ricky Scola	0	1
Johnathan Scola	0	1
Megan Dovi	0	1
Cyndi Berry	0	1
Chris Berry	0	1
Shawn Morris	0	1
Denis Hall	0	1
Molly Willis	0	1
Matt Heiser	0	1
Jeanne Morris	0	1
Linda Morgan	0	1
Total Contributed by Outside Professionals:	1	15
Total Contributed by Outside Professionals:		
<u>Other</u>		
Rob Carney	2	0
Sarah Levitsky	1	0
Kevin Widinski	1	0
Eric Morris	1	0
Samantha Armishaw	1	0
Andrew Colavita	1	0
Total Contributed by Others:	7	0
Blog Total:	13	16



Who Contributed Posts & Comments?



■ Project Team ■ Outside Professionals ■ Other

Team Evaluations

Kaylene's Peer Evaluation

Peer Evaluation of Team Contributions			
Project Name: Managing Information Systems Movie Blog			
Date: 12/14/2014			
Met Expectations=✓ Not applicable=NA (did not apply to team member)			
Complete the boxes below with a check to indicate that the team member met the criteria. Be sure to include yourself.			
Fill in team members names.	Kaylene (Evaluator)	Leah	Adrian
Workload Fulfilled share of assigned responsibilities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Team process Initiated and facilitated group process: helped clarify and negotiate roles; practiced integrity in interactions with others; treated others equitably; showed interest and enthusiasm	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Communication Communicated clearly: listened and responded to team; accepted and gave feedback; willingly shared information with others; made effort to contribute to move project forward	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Timeliness Kept on task; met deadlines; kept track of resources; attended meetings on time; took leadership role in scheduling and keeping project on track	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Problem-solving Generated ideas; participated in analysis and fitting solution to problem; showed initiative in seeking solutions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Our team went above and beyond for this semester long project. I believe that this is a result of the strong communication we had among the three of us. We were all eager to get assignments done and to develop our blog. Everyone was very hands on and invested in the weekly group assignments. Work was distributed equally and as problems came up we discussed them together.

Leah's Peer Evaluation

Peer Evaluation of Team Contributions			
Project Name: Managing Information Systems Movie Blog			
Date: 12/14/2014			
Met Expectations=✓ Not applicable=NA (did not apply to team member)			
Complete the boxes below with a check to indicate that the team member met the criteria. Be sure to include yourself.			
Fill in team members names.	Kaylene	Leah (Evaluator)	Adrian
Workload Fulfilled share of assigned responsibilities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Team process Initiated and facilitated group process: helped clarify and negotiate roles; practiced integrity in interactions with others; treated others equitably; showed interest and enthusiasm	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Our entire team exceeded all of the criteria this semester during the course of completing this project. Kaylene, Adrian, and I all decided exactly what would be done every week and would divide the work accordingly. Everyone always did what was required of them every week and we would often go beyond what was required. For example, there were times when each of us would write additional posts beyond the number we had agreed on for that week. Overall, our team worked extremely effectively all semester. We communicated all the time, stuck to our due dates, and were always willing to do as much work as we needed to complete our tasks.

Adrian's Peer Evaluation

Peer Evaluation of Team Contributions			
Project Name: Managing Information Systems Movie Blog			
Date: 12/14/2014			
Met Expectations=✓ Not applicable=NA (did not apply to team member)			
Complete the boxes below with a check to indicate that the team member met the criteria. Be sure to include yourself.			
Fill in team members names.	Kaylene	Leah	Adrian (Evaluator)
Workload Fulfilled share of assigned responsibilities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Our entire team exceeded all of the criteria this semester during the course of completing this project. We all agreed on what our goals were and worked hard to achieve them. Setting expectations allowed us to work on our assignments and hold each other accountable to meet completion. Sometimes we would also sit down and write more posts than necessary, just because we really enjoyed the subject of our blog. In conclusion, we worked very cohesively with one another. We were able to communicate effectively, delegate work to each other, and work above and beyond to accomplish our goals.

Team Reflections and Lessons Learned

Kaylene's Reflection

Createing this blog was a great learning opportunity to grow as a student in a world that revolves around the internet and the use technology to express oneself freely. Creating a blog was a new experience for me. Instead of writing blog posts, which is a normal assignment in this course, I had to think differently and evaluate how to make this project successful from the back end of a blog. How were we going to get individuals and outside professional to post on our blog? This was the big question that helped us develop and grow the blog.

Our team worked very well together. We had strong communication throughout the entire semester which contributed to the success of the blog. During the course of the project, I learned a lot about creating a blog itself. I think our simple design and straight forward topics contributed to the large amount of responses and traffic in the blog. I also learned about teamwork and the positive results that follows a team that has strong communication. The project could not have gone any smoother. Each week we would all evaluate what needed to get done and we accomplished task according to how we divided it. We were constantly discussing how we could improve and develop our blog. Having a strong team helped accomplish goals and lead to the success of this project.

Leah's Reflection

As stated on my evaluation form, our team all worked extremely well together and I think we accomplished a great deal of work this semester. We were able to create and maintain a blog that taught us about MIS applications and overcame the difficulties of getting outsiders to participate in our blog site. Although there were times that were difficult to find people who were willing to post, we got a large assortment of friends, family members, classmates, professors, and other professionals to comment and post on our website.

This was overall a great experience because we not only got to post about a topic we all enjoy, but we got to learn about how management information systems can be used in an everyday and simple manner. Millions of people maintain blogs on a daily basis and probably never realized that they were utilizing MIS strategies to communicate with others about different topics. A blog is only one of thousands of different systems and actually maintaining one all semester really showed our team how a system can work.

Adrian's Reflection

In continuation from my response on my evaluation, I thought this blog post was very effective in teaching us as students how to work on a team and monitor a specific open source information system. We were able to determine who had what tasks for each week. We also were able to agree on a topic that we all felt passionate about.

The part that was most shocking about this project was the need to get outside professionals to comment or post on our blog. It was very difficult to find professionals that would take the time to comment on new movies or have them post about one they had recently watched. We were able to overcome this obstacle as a team by using our resources of networking through the years to get last minute professionals to help us meet our goals.

We each really supplied to the team and worked in unison. It was nice to work in a group that was continually so focused and determined to get the work done with high set standards.