

Brand Guidelines

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Why We Have Guidelines

The Brand Guidelines establish rules for the consistent implementation of DesignBuildBLUFF's graphic identity. Through recommendations and examples, the guidelines provide development of brand materials that contribute to a powerful and unified expression of the organization.

A well-managed graphic identity is an important tool for DesignBuildBLUFF to establish brand recognition among its audience and achieve its strategic communication goals. Adhering to these guidelines will maintain a strong brand identity for DesignBuildBLUFF.

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Logo

The DesignBuildBLUFF logo contains three elements contained within a block: The University of Utah U, DesignBuildBLUFF logo type, and A University of Utah Program byline. All three of these elements together make up the DesignBuildBLUFF logo, and should always appear as a unit together within the block outline.



Clear Space

When using the DesignBuildBLUFF logo on various branded collateral, the area around the logo should provide ample space so that the balance and wholeness are not violated by external elements. The clear space should be the height of one Utah **U** around all sides of the logo.



Minimum Size

When reducing the size of the DesignBuildBLUFF logo, be cautious of the legibility of the byline. In most cases, it is not recommended to print smaller than 0.5" in height. If the logo must appear smaller due to sizing restrictions, use an alternate version without the byline. This alternate should be used sparingly, and only out of requirement to decrease in scale. It is not recommended to print the alternate logo smaller than 0.25" in height.





Written Out

DesignBuildBLUFF is a single word with a capital D, capital B, and all-cap BLUFF in a single weight. All written forms of the name should follow this structure.

DesignBuildBLUFF

- X Design Build BLUFF
- X designbuildBLUFF
- X Design Build Bluff
- **X** DESIGNBUILDBLUFF

Primary Color Palette

DesignBuildBLUFF's logo should always appear in the brand's Dark Gray or in white if overlaying color or photograph. The DBB Green is the brand's primary color.



C:50 M:41 Y:40 K:6 R:133 G:134 B:135 Hex: #858687 PMS Cool Gray 8

Dark Gray



C:50 M:41 Y:40 K:6 R:81 G:82 B:84 Hex: #515254 PMS Cool Gray 8

DBB Green



C:20 M:0 Y:100 K:0 R:26 G:177 B:154 Hex: #1AB19A PMS 3268

Extended Color Palette

The extended palette consists of colors that serve as support to the primary palette. These should be used in thoughtful ways to work in harmony with the primary palette. The brand's Neon should be used sparingly, only as an accent color and never as a full flood of color.



Typography

Neuzeit Grotesk

Used for headlines and sub-headlines

PMN Caecilia

Used for intro text and body copy

Karla

Used for body copy and small text

AaBbCcDd EeFfGgHhli JjKkLlMmNn OoPpQqRr SsTtUuVv WwXxYyZz

Neuzeit Grotesk Black

AaBbCcDdEeFfGHh IiJjKkLIMmNnOoPp QqRrSsTtUuVvWw XxYyZz0123456789

Neuzeit Grotesk Regular

AaBbCcDdEeFfGHhIiJj KkLlMmNnOoPpQqRr SsTtUuVvWwXxYyZz 0123456789

PMN Caecilia Roman

AaBbCcDdEeFfGHhIiJj KkLlMmNnOoPpQqRr SsTtUuVvWwXxYyZz 0123456789

PMN Caecilia Roman Italic

AaBbCcDdEeFfGHhIiJjKkLlMmNn OoPpQqRrSsTtUuVvWwXxYyZz

PMN Caecilia Light

AaBbCcDdEeFfGHhIiJjKkLlMmNn OoPpQqRrSsTtUuVvWwXxYyZz

PMN Caecilia Light Italic

AaBbCcDdEeFfGgHhliJjKkLlMmNnOo PpQqRrSsTtUuVvWwXxYyZz

Karla Bold

AaBbCcDdEeFfGgHhliJjKkLlMmNnOo PpQqRrSsTtUuVvWwXxYyZz

Karla Bold Italic

AaBbCcDdEeFfGgHhliJjKkLlMmNnOo PpQgRrSsTtUuVvWwXxYyZz

Karla Regular

AaBbCcDdEeFfGgHhIiJjKkLlMmNnOo PpQqRrSsTtUuVvWwXxYyZz

Karla Regular Italic

Typography in Use

Headline Text

Sub-headline Text

Intro text lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit.

Body Copy text lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit. Ut a ligula vitae magna sodales placerat. Sed venenatis enim sem, sit amet finibus dui ultrices id. Duis viverra nec mauris ut pulvinar. Mauris tempus ullamcorper sapien, nec hendrerit nisl dapibus et. Curabitur tempor, nulla fringilla mollis finibus, risus erat interdum nunc, quis vestibulum nisi magna volutpat odio. Nulla ac erat sit amet nisl luctus fermentum.

Text for captions, sidebars, etc. Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit. Ut a ligula vitae magna sodales placerat. Sed venenatis enim sem, sit amet finibus dui ultrices id.

| | Typeface | Style | Size/Leading | Color |
|------------------|----------|---------|--------------|-----------|
| <u>:</u> | Neuzeit | Bold | 30/32 pt | Dark Gray |
| <u>:</u> | Neuzeit | Regular | 20/26 pt | Dark Gray |
| | Caecilia | Roman | 16/20 pt | Dark Gray |
| | Caecilia | Light | 11/16 pt | Black |
| : : : : | Karla | Regular | 9/12 pt | Black |

Incorrect Logo Uses

Maintaining the visual integrity of the brand ensures legibility, recognizability, and professionalism.



DO NOT change the logo to non-brand colors. Furthermore, it's recommended to remain in either Dark Gray or White.



DO NOT add drop shadows to the logo.



DO NOT stretch the logo.



DO NOT have more than one color present in the logo.



DO NOT attempt to recreate the logo.



DO NOT add flashy effects to the logo.

Photography

Photography plays a strong role in DesignBuildBLUFF's brand. Images are used in bold ways: large, full bleed, and as a background image. Casual shots should include people and action. Candid shots of construction should always include students in the appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE). Photographs of built works should be professional.







Casual Photography







Professional Photography

Illustrations

The illustrations used minimally throughout the brand inject life, playfulness, and character. They consist of tight illustrations mixed with looser textures. The illustrations should utilize the extended palette, offering an unexpected pop of color.





Writing Tone Suggestions

Creating a strong narrative is more important than granular accuracy. For example, a project case study should include high level descriptions of unique or specialized architectural techniques or components, but in-depth detail is not often necessary. Strike a balance between the technical and emotional aspects of the story.

Where appropriate (as with longform content), an impactful introductory sentence should preface the text. This sentence should be visually emphasized. It should be pithy and well-crafted, not casual or clever. These entry points help set context and maintain an energetic, approachable style.

We use a descriptive list of brand attributes to pinpoint the personality, values, and tone we want to convey to an external audience. When crafting written content, keep these characteristics in mind.

Curious.

Thorough.

Adaptive.

Invested.

Technical.

Hands-on.

Contemporary.

Empowering.

Considerate.







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