

Alpha Milestone Instructions

Goal: Demonstrate that your team is capable of completing their project to specifications and on time. While the software is not expected to be feature complete, all high priority risks should be mitigated.

Deliverables: Presentation and artifacts

Presentation Instructions

Your team's presentation must have two parts, demo and reflection.

Demo Part

In the demo part of the presentation, the presenter must demonstrate the working functionality that your team produced in the past iteration. The demonstration must take place in the context of a cohesive story. That is, the presenter must describe one or more characters (with names, like Alice and/or Bob) and relate a story about the character using the software. The presenter must stick to this story format. The story and accompanying demo must be well thought out, and not leave the audience with the impression that the presenter is making it up as he/she goes along.

This part must be limited to 15 minutes.

Reflection Part

In the reflection part of the presentation, the presenter must reflect upon the team's accomplishments in the past iteration, what worked, and what could be improved. In particular:

1. [1–2 slides] List the user stories that your team completed this iteration. How much did you expect to complete? Explain any discrepancies in detail.
2. [1–3 slides] How much have the requirements/designs/risks changed since the start of the iteration? Describe some things that changed and how they changed.
3. [1–3 slides] Describe challenges or setbacks that your team encountered this iteration. How did you overcome them (if you did)? Any implications for how you'll manage things in the future?

This part must be limited to 10 minutes.

Email me any presentation materials.

What to submit

Mainly just make sure your user stories are up to date and tag the alpha version of your code. In particular, you must have for the USs:

- An updated list of user stories (in **user-stories.html**). For each user story:
 - Name of the story (descriptions not needed, since you store that info elsewhere).
 - An up-to-date time estimate.
 - **NEW!** A status, which is one of the following:
 - Complete (Rough) – meaning that it works, but needs some polishing

- Complete (Polished) – meaning that it works very well
 - Incomplete – meaning that it does not run yet
- An updated list of tasks from the Alpha iteration (in **alpha-tasks.html**). For each task:
 - A unique ID (e.g., Task #1).
 - A brief (but clear) description.
 - A time estimate.
 - Who will/did perform the task (first names OK).
 - **NEW!** A status, which is one of the following:
 - Completed
 - In progress
 - Not yet started

To submit the above edit the appropriate HTML files included in the **trunk** of your team's **ProjectPlanning** project. Then, tag the trunk as **alphaMilestone**.

For the code, you must also tag your **trunk** as **alphaMilestone**. Make sure that you include a **README.txt** file in the top-level directory that contains instructions on how run/test your project.