Homework 02: Course Banners for UMBS

Goal: Develop conceptual color palette, master Layers order and organization (groups), gradients, color modes (RGB); understand designing for serial products. Use conceptual approach to the images selection (crop, shot, message). Master analogous and monochromatic harmonies and use of tints, shades, and tones. Experiment with gradations and quaternary colors.

Software: Photoshop for image adjustments and editing. Photoshop or Figma for banners layout.

Elements: Background images (that you prepared during step 1), U-M logo, foreground text. Use the courses titles provided in the assignment description on Canvas. Don't remove, distort, or modify the size, font, or position of the logo, button, backgrounds blocks. Do not change the text color.

Deliverables

Page 1: submission checklist

Page 2: eight mockups ("place" on the template provided)

Page 3-4: color palette, and color harmony mapped to RYB color wheel; image credits, shots types and composition comments provided. Sketches (Rule for Thirds placement).

Digital submission only (Canvas).

Concept & Ideation:	%
Your design supports the message. Visuals used are relevant for the season and Michigan environment	10
The visuals provide insight in the word of nature: use close-ups, medium close ups, and medium shots only	10
Design principles:	
Unity: images and color palette are in harmonious agreement and form conceptual color theme	10
Composition: the Rule of Thirds is applied comprehensively	5
Color: Color harmony is used comprehensively (analogous for the entire set; monochromatic for each banner).	10
Technical skills:	
Layers' order maintained. Foreground elements are not modified.	5
Images, text, and other layout elements are free of distortion and skewing	5
Text content is updated with relevant information for the number and course titles	5
Color, brightness, and other images adjustments are applied if needed	5
Free space and contrast for text / logo and background is allowed	10
Simultaneous contrast used comprehensively to support the text and UI (buttons). Drop shadow effect is applied.	5
Color blocks have uniform saturation; tints, shades, tones have consistent intensity. HEX values provided.	10
Images credits included. Labels for the shoots types are provided. Comments on composition provided	10
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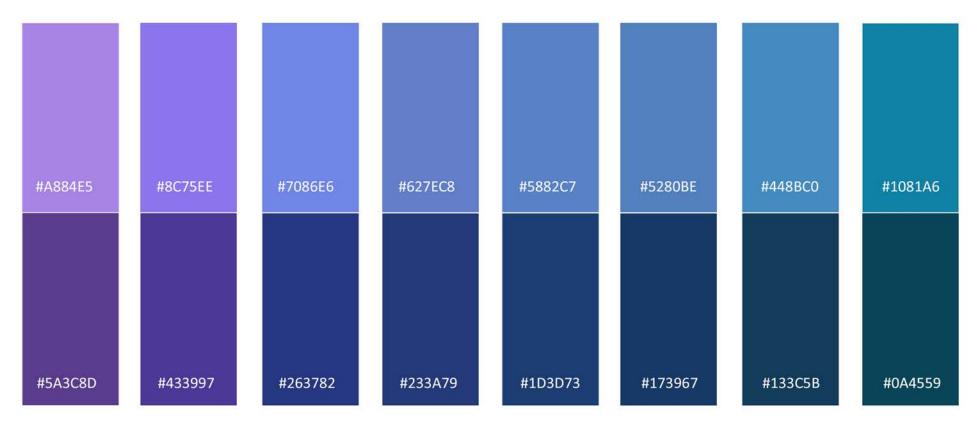












Color Harmony for the whole set: Analogous Colors Color Harmony for each banner: Monochromatic

Images Credits & Shots Types

English 221: The Art of Observation, Close-up, Eye level, Dynamic, Photo by Gabrielle Hensch on Unsplash

EEB 443: Biology of Insects, Close-up, 45 Degree angle, Dynamic, Photo by Kat Kelley on Unsplash

EEB 455: Ethnobotany, Close-up, Eye level, Static, Photo by P Mantha on Unsplash

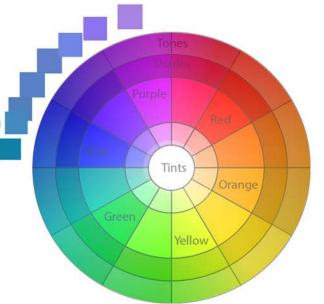
EEB 405: Agroecology, Extreme close-up, Eye level, Static, Photo by József Szabó on Unsplash

EEB 405: Insights from Trees, Close-up, Eye level, Static, Photo by Chandler Cruttenden on Unsplash

EEB 453: Field Mammalogy, Medium close-up, Eye level, Dynamic, Photo by Gena Okami on Unsplash

EEB 321: Rivers, Lakes, & Wetlands, Medium close-up, Eye level, Static, Photo by Josie Weiss on Unsplash

EEB 330: Biology of Birds, Medium close-up, Eye level, Dynamic, Photo by Bruno Guerrero on Unsplash



Map your colors on the Color Wheel.

