

HTH GSE Digital Portfolios (DPs)

<u>Purpose</u>: To document your learning over the course of the program and celebrate and share your work with a broader audience.

Required Components:

- Home Page The landing page should introduce the viewer to you and the purpose of the site. Students commonly include a bio, images of themselves (often working alongside students), a resume or CV, and any information that helps provide context for the site. If you don't want to put all of this content on the homepage, you might create an "About Me" page and link it to the homepage instead.
- Leadership Philosophy Statement Through the program you will create a Leadership Philosophy Statement that reflects your beliefs about teaching, learning and leadership. Students often link this from the home page of their DP.
- Coursework For each course you will have a final product that should be linked to your DP along with any related artifacts (e.g. video clips, meeting agendas, project handouts, survey data, images, etc.). We recommend creating one page to document your coursework that includes course titles and brief artist statements (a description of the context for the work and a reflection of your learning) alongside the links to your final products with related artifacts.
- Masters Project For the capstone masters project, you will pursue an inquiry that addresses a need at your school site and allows you to investigate a passion or interest. Your DP should include links to related work, including any academic writing or final products you create (e.g. book, website, film, practitioner guide, etc.).
- Reflections Throughout the program, you will be asked to record your observations, field notes and reflections in an inquiry journal and share your responses to the readings through an online forum. Periodically, you will be asked to share some of these reflections publicly through your DP.

Optional:

- Student work/projects from your classroom or school
- Links to resources for other educators (e.g. articles, books, videos, websites, etc.)
- Anything else you wish to share connected to your professional practice

Tips:

- More images, less text
- Provide "hooks" or context to draw viewers into your work
- Share reflections of your learning and process alongside the final products
- Weebly, Wix and Wordpress are great resources for building your DP

Examples:

- http://kwrigh8.wix.com/digitalportfolio
- http://bobbyshaddoxtl.weebly.com/index.html
- http://aowen6.wix.com/owensdp
- http://paulnorth.weebly.com/

You can find other examples of digital portfolios from GSE alumni at:

http://gse.hightechhigh.org/digitalPortfolios.php