CS485 - HW3
Hall of Fame / Hall of Shame Nominations

This is an individual assignment.
Due: Friday, Mar. 25, 2011 by 10:40 am to BB

For this assignment, you will find a really good and a really bad UI example – typically not the entire UI, but one aspect of a UI (which might be a web page, mobile application, web application, etc)*. These will be your candidates for the HCI Hall of Fame and Hall of Shame.

Your submission will be a very short PowerPoint presentation, just 4-6 slides. The first slide will have your name and the name of the systems you are nominating. The next slide (or two if needed) will be your Hall of Fame nominee. If you are nominating a web site, include its URL somewhere on your slides. If needed, include screenshots of your interface. (Use a digital camera shot if the UI is not on a traditional computer.) On the slides, add annotations indicating why the UI is good or bad. You can elaborate on your reasoning with notes on the PPts if you feel your annotations are insufficient. After you are finished with the Hall of Fame, repeat the process with your Hall of Shame nominee.

In class on Monday, March 28 you will present your candidates for the Hall of Fame and the Hall of Shame in 2 minutes or less. The class will vote for the two best Hall of Fame nominees and for the two best (or should I say worst?) Hall of Shame nominations. The submitters of the four nominations that garner the most votes will receive extra points for this homework.

Your homework grade will be determined by how well you explain (both verbally and on the PPts) why your nominee is either good or bad. You should relate your explanations back to the ideas from the principles discussed in class (design principles, graphic design ideas, error/help principles, etc).

* You may not pick a website or application that is poorly designed on purpose.

Upload your PPt deck to Blackboard for the HW3 assignment by the start of class.