Course C28
Ajax - Design and Usability
2 units

Instructor:
William Hudson, Syntagm Ltd

Benefits:
This half-day interactive course breaks new ground in relating Ajax technology to key principals of Computer-Human Interaction.

Origin:
This course was first presented at a PHICHI event in September, 2006.

Features:
On completion of this tutorial you will be able to:
  • describe the principals of Ajax
  • explain the differences and similarities between Ajax and other web technologies
  • assess the benefits or drawbacks of applying Ajax from a usability and user experience viewpoint

Intended Audience:
Web and intranet designers, information architects, usability and HCI professionals. No specialist skills or knowledge are required.

Presentation Style:
The course is approximately 60% lecture and 40% group discussions and interaction.

Instructor’s Background:
William Hudson has over 30 years experience in the development of interactive systems. He has contributed material on user-centered design and user interface design to the Rational Unified Process and to Addison-Wesley’s Object Modeling and User Interface Design (van Harmelen, 2001). He is the Director of User Experience for the Intranet Benchmarking Forum and has written regularly for the ACM’s interactions magazine. William's background in software engineering makes him well-qualified to discuss the principles of Ajax.

Further information about the instructor and this course can be found at www.designforusability.com