

Hack for LA Guides

The Hack for LA Guides project is creating guides and templates from the effective practices that HfLA has developed and iterated from our projects. HfLA Guides aim to share replicable processes and practices from Engineering, UI/UX, Product Management, Data Science, Marketing Fundraising, DevOps, Admin, and Professional Development. The project seeks to further grow HfLA's peer learning and iterative culture, and ultimately improve outcomes for the entire civic tech ecosystem.



Recent Progress:

- Survey the location and status of existing guides
- Start following up with authors on unfinished guides
- Conduct a high-level review of existing guides and identify those that don't follow the desired structure/format
- Create individual clean-up template for some existing guides with issues
- Produce guidance on how to write a guide
- Collaborate with designer and developer on creating a mockup of the Guides webpage

Roadmap:

- Create project landing page for different milestones (New guide instructions, CoP coordination, document processes, feedback instructions, revision instructions, incentives/ credits)
- Develop stable guide templates (how to: write a guide, insert screenshots and images, templates: guide, image)
- Editing of all the existing guides to match the desired format
- Conduct interviews with HfLA CoP to determine their current process, roadmap and guide sentiment.
- Create trackers for guides, CoP coordination, and credits
- Create automations on GitHub and explore other automation possibilities
- Devise a defined path to facilitate guides feedback and revision
- Produce finished guides ready for publication on the hackforla.org website
- Establish additional accreditation incentives including the ability to link the guides to their authors' LinkedIn and/ or GitHub profiles
- Conduct research into the motivations of guides creation, guides edit, credit, accreditation, and incentives.