# Notes for the Figma Design for Beginners Tutorial

https://help.figma.com/hc/en-us/sections/30880632542743

This tutorial takes you through the process of building a portfolio, which isn't exactly the same as building an interactive BSG. But it's related, and the whole process will be useful to you next quarter when you create a portfolio for yourself in Writing 155B. With the Education plan, it's free to create and publish a website in Figma using Figma Sites, and you can copy files from Figma Design into Figma Sites to get started.

You'll be using Figma Design for this project, so if you've been using Figma Slides (or Design) so far, you're already familiar with the first few chapters of the tutorial.

A few important points for the chapters of the tutorial:

- **Chapter 8:** You can use a photo of yourself from your BSG and some of the introductory text that you wrote for your BSG for the avatar and bio in the Hero component that you create here.
- **Chapter 12:** Each case study page can be a section of your BSG:  typography, color, logo.
- **Chapter 18:** This is a very important chapter because it explains auto layout, which is essential for responsive design. The section also covers building buttons and creating components.
- **Chapter 21:** In this section, you create cards with containers; you can create a card for each section of your BSG.
- **Chapter 23:** Here you create a navigation bar and footer; use your logo in the nav bar where they talk about wordmarks.
- **Chapter 29-31:** All about prototyping—adding interactivity.

Once you've created your prototype, here's how to share the link with me:

1. Open your Figma design file and click the **Present** (play icon) button in the top-right toolbar. This opens the prototype in a new tab.
2. While in the presentation view, click the **Share prototype** button in the top-right corner.
3. Click **Copy link** at the top of the window.
4. **Email** this link to me via email (sorapure@ucsb.edu).