

Design Checklist

General

- What's the goal of your project?
- Who is the intended audience?
- What's the personalities of the project?
- What medium will it live in?
- What does the materiality of the medium communicate?

Modalities of Design

- Communication Design — delivering messages
- Interface/Interaction Design — user experience; behavior of products, people and systems
- Information (Visualization) Design — data visualization
- Critical Design — conceptual scenarios; hypothetical objects; social-political-cultural commentary, speculative

Visual Language

- Choose your typography
- Select a color theme
- Formal elements
 - line, shape, color, form, motion, texture, pattern, direction, orientation, scale, angle, space and proportion
- Check if the visual forms and rules are coherent
- Is there any referent of your style? Why?

Visualization

- Think about your intention (spectrum)
 - *Medium or Tool*
 - Transparent analysis or Arguments
 - *Representative or Generative*
- Think about your justification
 - Are the bias explained?
 - What's the parameterization of data?
 - Is your method reductive?
- Is the translation from statistic parameters into graphical elements appropriate?
- Does the following spatialized relations help the production of meaning?
 - hierarchy, juxtaposition, proximity, connectivity, grouping, separation by lines, alignment,, orientation

Cases

<https://www.behance.net/gallery/20364255/An-Information-Design-made-by-a-non-Designer>

<https://www.behance.net/gallery/40819275/Dear-Data>

<http://www.puffpuffproject.com/languages.html>

<https://www.behance.net/gallery/31862711/Words-of-war-Svetlana-Alexievichs-vocabulary>

<https://www.behance.net/gallery/19469225/Who-are-our-teachers-La-Lettura>

<https://www.cartercenter.org/syria-conflict-map/>

<http://histography.io>

<http://www.gsmlondon.ac.uk/global-oil-map/#2004-importers-842>

<https://frightgeist.withgoogle.com>

<https://www.behance.net/valeriopellegrini>

<https://www.behance.net/gallery/32603631/TakeFive-Exhibition>