



During your time at Hyper Island, your main communication platform will be Slack. Here you will get essential information pushed out for your course work, and this is also where you get the chance to interact with the Hyper Island community.

At the very beginning of the course you will be introduced to Slack through your Hyper Island email account, so until you have one and have been invited, you can still quietly in the boat and wait for things to kick off. Your PM will let you know when the time has come to start engaging on the platform.

Please bear in mind that it is an absolute must to be active on Slack once the course has started!

FUNDAMENTALS AND 🤝 ETIQUETTE

Your Slack-profile

This network can kick off or accelerate your career. Your profile is the first impression people get from you. Make sure that it represents you in a professional manner.

Your slack-profile should contain (at least):

- a profile picture
- your class
- a short sentence about yourself
- your LinkedIn profile

Habits:

- Stay Engaged, But Take Breaks: While active participation on a daily basis during work-hours is encouraged, remember to take breaks. It's essential for your well-being and can lead to more productive interactions.
- Tidy up your slack sidebar by leaving none relevant or outdated channels.
- Organise your [sidebar with custom sections](#).
- Star your most relevant and mostly used channels 🌟.
- Slack works best when everyone uses it to have transparent, informative discussions in channels. Prefer threads in channels before direct messages to foster [open communication](#).
- Always check the channel description before posting something in public channels to see if it's the best home for your message.
- Avoid using `@ channel` and `@ all` in public, default channels.
- Write longer but structured messages in channels that are easy to scan. Press `shift + return` to create line breaks.
- USE THREADS. 🧵 Seriously.
- Use emoji reactions frequently to let the senders know that their messages have been read 🙄, you agree ➕, ok 👍, done ✅ etc.

- Stay sane by using “Do Not Disturb”.
- Create a habit of asking general questions in channels, rather than sending a direct message to your PM. This way we can foster a culture of self-leadership and ownership and empower you as students to support each other. There is no need to wait for your PM to answer a question, there are most likely at least one other student in the class who already knows the answer you are looking for. So, do not be shy to ask, but please do it in a relevant channel rather than in a direct message.