

Adobe® Certified Professional Graphic Design & Illustration using Adobe Illustrator

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Course structure*

The ACP courses are a great way to become qualified in industry standard applications. You will reach an intermediate advanced level which will give you the confidence to explore your own creative avenues within the applications. The course will start with an overview of Adobe Illustrator. We will then begin to look at the fundamentals of vector graphics and what Illustrator is capable of doing.

Who is course for?

Adobe Illustrator is the most commonly used vector graphics application today and one of the most important tools for designers. This course is for graphic designers, or people transitioning into a design job or taking on design responsibilities. If you need to use Adobe Illustrator to create distinctive vector artwork for illustrations, logos, advertisements or other graphic documents this course is for you.

What will I learn?

Introduction to Illustrator ACP

- Vector vs Raster
- Document setup
- Creating vector shapes
- Transform tools and menus

Working with Colour

- Basics of colour - RGB & CMYK
- Fill & Stroke
- Applying Colour
- Adobe Colour online Libraries
- Swatches
- Using transparency

Creating graphics

- Pencil and blob tool
- Using the pen tool
- Shape builder tool
- Pathfinder overview
- Eraser/knife/scissors
- Image trace

Painting & Drawing tools

- Brushes
- Pen tool
- Width tool

Typography

- Text
- Creating type outline

Layers

- Sub layers
- Groups

Layout

- Guides, grids, transparent pixel grid.
- Artboard tool & panel
- Workspace Switcher

Importing & Exporting

- Saving in Illustrator
- Bringing images into Illustrator
- Exporting into different file formats

Patterns & Effects

- Selection tools - magic wand etc
- Patterns
- Symbols & 3D
- Pucker & bloat tools
- Appearance panel

Other Areas

- Revision
- Exams

*The Structure will change in reaction to students needs. Everything in the course content will be covered.

Breaks

There will be a 20 minute half way through each part.

Level of Knowledge

You will need a good level of IT literacy and be confident in using a computer. These courses run at a fast pace, to enable student to study for the Qualifications. Please also make sure you are able to revise each week.

Learning Resources

You will have access to online learning resources. Information will be provided at the beginning of the course.