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Adobe® Illustrator® CS6: Part 1

Course length: 1.5 day(s)

Course Description

To meet the demands of individuals and organizations for flexible, reusable, and easily modified visual content, Adobe Systems has created a cadre of applications that collectively provide a scalable, end-to-end solution for nearly every type of visual design project one can contemplate. Called Creative Suite 6 (CS6), the collection of applications perform specialized design tasks while interoperating among each other to deliver superlative content.

This course focuses on Illustrator CS6, the component within CS6 used to create “drawn” graphics, while enabling its users to integrate content from other domains (such as photo-oriented graphics and animation, which belong to Photoshop® and Flash®). With Illustrator's many, easily used tools, you will discover that not only can you unlock the same creative impulses you've always had as you've picked up a pencil to sketch out an idea, but also capture those multiple ideas and “what ifs” during the creative process in ways that you never imagined. And for those of you who are just embarking on building your creative skills, you will be surprised at “how good” your work will appear even at the outset of your exploration of the world of graphic design.

Course Objective

Upon successful completion of this course, you will be able to use Adobe® Illustrator® CS6 to create and deliver professional-looking printed and digital documents. You will:

- Identify the components and capabilities of Illustrator CS6.
- Create basic shapes.
- Create custom paths.
- Create graphics that contain custom text.
- Customize objects.
- Customize basic shapes.
- Prepare documents for deployment.

Prerequisites

To ensure your success in this course, you should be familiar with the basic functions of your computer's operating system such as creating folders, launching programs, and working with windows. You should also have basic Windows application skills, such as copying and pasting objects, formatting text, saving files, and so on.

Familiarity with basic design terminology, such as palettes, color modes, shapes, text, and paths is highly recommended.



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Course Content

Lesson 1: Introduction to Illustrator® CS6

- Topic A:** Evaluate Graphics Scalability
- Topic B:** Navigate, View, and Measure Graphics
- Topic C:** Customize the User Interface

Lesson 2: Creating Documents Containing Basic Shapes

- Topic A:** Create Documents
- Topic B:** Save Documents
- Topic C:** Draw Basic Shapes

Lesson 3: Creating Graphics Containing Customized Paths

- Topic A:** Draw Paths
- Topic B:** Modify Paths

Lesson 4: Creating Graphics Containing Customized Text

- Topic A:** Insert Text
- Topic B:** Flow Text Along a Path
- Topic C:** Insert Bounded Text
- Topic D:** Thread Text
- Topic E:** Apply Text Styles
- Topic F:** Insert Typographical Characters

Lesson 5: Customizing Objects

- Topic A:** Import and Link Graphics
- Topic B:** Alter the Appearance of Objects

Lesson 6: Customizing Basic Shapes

- Topic A:** Apply Strokes
- Topic B:** Fill Shapes
- Topic C:** Apply Gradients
- Topic D:** Apply Graphic Styles
- Topic E:** Distort Text with Text Envelopes

Lesson 7: Preparing Documents for Deployment

- Topic A:** Update Text
- Topic B:** Wrap Text
- Topic C:** Hyphenate Text
- Topic D:** Optimize Content for Print
- Topic E:** Optimize Content for the Web
- Topic F:** Optimize Content for PDF Documents

Appendix A: Adobe Illustrator CS6 Certification Exam Objectives