

Adobe Illustrator Course Content

Lesson 1: Using the workspace

- Exploring the interface
- Choosing a workspace
- Opening a file
- Using artboards
- Changing your view
- Zooming and scrolling
- Using tools and panels
- Exploring the Control panel
- Working with panels and the dock

Lesson 2: Learning essential skills

- Using the shape tools
- Repositioning and resizing shapes
- The Transform panel
- Constraining a shape
- Entering exact dimensions
- Selecting artwork
- Using the shape and transform tools
- Introducing layers
- Cutting and pasting objects
- Repeating transformations

Lesson 3: Adding color

- Exploring the Appearance panel
- Changing colors
- Adding effects
- Using Live
- Paint Adding a symbol
- Saving swatches
- Selecting the same color
- Creating a color group
- Using the Color panel
- Adding Pantone colors

Lesson 4: Using the drawing tools

- Understanding the Pen tool Straight, curved and hinged lines
Tracing images
- Creating a tracing template
- Working with Image
- Trace Using the Line, Pencil and Eraser tools
- Editing existing paths
- Adding and removing points
- Cutting and joining paths
- The Shape Builder

Lesson 5: Additional color options

- Adding tonal values with gradients
- Customizing an existing gradient

- Saving a gradient
 - Using the Gradient panel
 - Updating a gradient
 - Creating a pattern
 - Applying a pattern
 - Editing a pattern
 - Locating existing patterns
 - Using the Color Guide
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- **Lesson 6: Adding and formatting text**
Formatting text
Paragraph formatting
 - Using paragraph and character styles
 - Editing styles
 - Putting text on a path
 - Warping text
 - Putting text in a shape
 - Creating outlines
 - Checking spelling
 - Using Find and Replace

Lesson 7: Using layers

- Getting to know the
- Layers panel
- Using layers to organize an illustration
- Selecting using the Layers panel
- Creating new layers

- Showing and hiding layers
- Locking and unlocking layers
- Rearranging layers
- Moving items between layers
- Remembering layers when pasting
- Creating a template layer