# Syllabus:  
*Media Education - Design in Virtual Environments for Communication*

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<th>Module 1</th>
<th>Design in Virtual Environments for Communication</th>
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**List of topics covered**  
Managing virtual environments encompasses many different skills and disciplines for their design, production and maintenance. The different topics of the course will be taken from various disciplines, creating a fertile multi-disciplinary context for the course:

- Human-computer Interaction design
- Human physiology for HCI
- Vision and colour perception
- Reading, hearing and touching
- Computer components for virtual environments
- virtual environments and virtual worlds design
- virtual and augmented reality
- Human errors and slips
- Common interaction styles
- user experience design
- web design and virtual environments
- Standards and law in virtual worlds
- NFT, blockchain and GDPR
- usability and accessibility

**Teaching format**  
- Frontal lectures
- Practical examples
- Analysis of case studies

**Total lecturing hours**  
45

**Credits**  
6

**Learning outcomes:**  
The course offers an introduction to web design and visual communication. It focuses on the main theories of man-machine interaction, with specific focus on web design.

**Knowledge and understanding:**  
- knowledge about what is meant by design of virtual environments
- knowledge about main theories and practices behind virtual environments for communication
- knowledge about guidelines and models to be applied to design in different virtual environments, including legal and accessibility aspects

**Applying knowledge and understanding:**  
- Acquire a practical experience on design of virtual environments
- Acquire a practical experience on using visual elements in communication

**Making judgments**  
- Critical thinking and making judgement about present, current and future communication plan using virtual environments
Learning capabilities
Students will develop their skills in a variety of areas during the course and will have engaged with the following:
- Independent learning and working
- Working with others
- Communication
- Personal reflection
- Problem analysis regarding web design and visual communication

Communication capabilities:
- Capability of using new media and new visual tools in various areas of modern communication, specifically those involving ICT
- Capability in understanding and managing communication and new writing styles for virtual environments

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<th>Final Evaluation:</th>
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<td>Required readings:</td>
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