

Syllabus: Media Education - Design in Virtual Environments for Communication

Module 1	Design in Virtual Environments for Communication
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Scientific sector	ICAR/17
Teaching language	English
Office hours	dal lunedì al venerdì previo appuntamento
List of topics covered	Managing virtual enviroments 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 lecturesPractical examplesAnalysis 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



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	Learning capabilities
	Students will developed 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 area of modern communication, specifically
	those involving ICT
	 Capability in understanding and managing
	communication and new writing styles for virtual
	environments
Final Evaluation:	100% - written + practical exam
Required readings:	 Due to the vast list of topics treated in the course, and
	the potential number of readings needed, the study
	material has been created by the teacher in form of
	verbose slides, that will be the only readings required
	for the exam.
	In specific points, few bibliography references will be
	provided by the teacher