

A guide to Level 3 Digital Print Production Train to Gain

What are the aims of the qualification?

This course aims to provide students with the recognition of their competence in the Printing environment relating to their individual job role. The course covers the core units such as digital artwork for print and pre-press.

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Pathways

Digital Artwork for Print
Pre-Press

Mandatory units

Unit 1 Plan work to meet production requirements
Unit 2 Send and receive digital files
Unit 3 Ensure your own actions reduce risks to health and safety in the workplace
Unit 4 Improve Individual and Organisational Performance
Unit 5 Plan and capture digital images
Unit 6 Maintain digital systems in working order
Unit 7 Design and produce creative digital colour artwork for print

Optional technical units – Digital Artwork for Print (Choose 1)

Unit 1 Produce imposed separations for printing
Unit 2 Operate digital printing machines
Unit 3 Plan and produce edited images
Unit 4 Manage colour reproduction in digital pre-press
Unit 5 Produce approved proofs from digital artwork

Optional technical units - Pre Press (Choose 1)

Unit 1 Prepare stencils for printing
Unit 2 Plan and produce edited images
Unit 3 Manage colour reproduction in digital pre-press
Unit 4 Produce approved proofs from digital artwork
Unit 5 Produce computer generated image carriers
Unit 6 Make photopolymer plates for flexographic printing
Unit 7 Make plates for lithographic printing
Unit 8 Make gravure cylinders

How does it work?

Train to Gain is designed to recognise the work of employees & volunteers through a formal qualification. This is achieved through a work based assessment process. The following process is used:

- Organisational needs analysis
- Agreement of qualifications to be provided
- Completion of paperwork
- Information, advice and guidance session for learner (three throughout the programme)
- Assessment timetable agreed
- Assessments completed
- Candidate achieves qualification
- Certificate issued

How long will it take?

Each candidate will be assessed on an individual basis and a completion date agreed with an action plan for the assessment process. The length of time from start to completion will vary for each individual depending on their work load and ability to evidence their portfolio of work. It is envisaged that these qualifications would be delivered on a rolling basis and will take between 4 – 8 months to complete.

What support is given?

The learner will have three meetings with a fully trained **Information, Advice and Guidance** tutor to assess their needs and ensure that they are coping with the work load. All learners will be assessed to determine whether support is required in the areas of literacy and numeracy. **Skills for Life** qualifications can be offered as part of the programme at no additional cost subject to eligibility checks. If it is felt that the learner would benefit from some taught sessions to gain a better understanding of their subject area, a series of bolt on **workshops** will be made available. These will help to provide underpinning knowledge of the course to support the learner to complete their qualification. Workshops will be delivered in a flexible manner at a time convenient to the learner subject to numbers and tutor availability.

Are you eligible?

Different qualifications will be made available to individuals based on an eligibility check. All Train to Gain learners must be 19 and over and be employed, working as a volunteer or registered self employed.

What's the next step?

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