

FAQ's - Students.

Where can I do the course?

Please see list of Digital Cre8or Approved Accredited Centres by clicking **Approved Centres**.

What if I don't find a centre in my locality on the list?

Don't despair!

Digital Cre8or is relatively new to Ireland and as such we are in the midst of an on-going process of training tutors for delivery of the programme in schools and centres countrywide. Consequently our list of centres is steadily growing.

If you do not see a centre near you on the list then please feel free to contact us at qualifications@digitalCre8or.ie and we may be able to advise of a new centre that will be commencing delivery Digital Cre8or in your area in the near future. Alternatively you could keep an eye on the website for updates to the list of centres where you can participate in the course.

Is it possible to participate in the course without attending classes, i.e. on-line only?

Digital Cre8or is taught via the classroom environment. In order to take the course you will be required to register at an Approved Accredited Digital Cre8or centre. Once you have registered with your preferred local Digital Cre8or centre you are now ready to attend the course. Your centre will support you and help you develop the skills, through a classroom environment.

Once you have been set up you can log on to the site anytime – which means you can complete parts of your coursework from your very own home. In reality, this means you can log on and access course content anytime anywhere and continue working on your assignments outside of class hours.

Digital Cre8or is designed to be customised and flexible so you can decide what you want to learn and how. There are 8 different units or modules and you can choose to do either all 8 units or just 4.

Are there exams to take?

No.

When you have registered for the programme at your preferred Approved Accredited Digital Cre8or centre, the centre will notify us. At this stage we will organise your username and password. As you go through the Units/Modules you will be required to create pieces of digital media (which will vary depending on the modules you are doing). Eventually you will be required to 'upload' your creative work to the site we will then assign an assessor to grade your work and give you some feedback.

Is there a fail or pass criteria?

No.

If the Assessor deems that an assignment submitted by the student has met the required standard, he/she will advise the student as to what areas need to be addressed. The student can then re-submit the piece, with adjustments made, and the Assessor will then grade the work. This process, effectively, means that it's simply not possible to fail!

Is there a certificate or award for completion?

Yes.

If you choose the 4 module option – there is a certificate for successful completion – this award is issued by the British Computer Society.

If you choose the 8 module option – there is a certificate for successful completion – this award is issued by the British Computer Society and is mapped, through them, to Level 4 of the National Qualifications Authority of Ireland and GCSE (UK) Level 2.

What is the cost of taking the course?

Your centre will advise you on the fees they charge for participating in the course.

Is Digital Cre8or aimed at any particular age group?

We recommend a student age range from 15 years and upwards.

Do I need a particular type of computer?

The Digital Cre8or Course is designed to be completely cross-platform. So it makes no difference if you would like to learn on a PC, Mac or an Open Source platform, it accommodates all formats. Once you have been registered by your Digital Cre8or centre or school you can then log on to the site anytime – and you don't have to use the same computer. As you progress through the course you will upload all your finished creations, so when you log on you can access them anytime and anywhere- not just in the classroom. In fact, you can even download lessons to your iPod or MP3 player.

Is the Digital Cre8or course difficult?

Digital Cre8or is presented in manageable units, supporting learners, as they acquire detailed knowledge in bite-sized chunks, through enjoyable, creative activities and projects built into each unit.

Are there any additional benefits to students taking the course?

Digital Cre8or also helps the learner to develop skills such as, planning, problem-solving, collaboration and literacy. Registered candidates are provided with access to comprehensive courseware that includes useful illustrated texts, software, and sample media. Each unit also explains issues of copyright, intellectual property and health and safety considerations.

What is the course structure?

Digital Cre8or is broken down into 8 units. 5 concentrate on creativity and 3 concentrate on how to share your work.

The **Creative Units** are: *Digital Audio, Digital Still Image, Moving Image Language, Digital Video, Storytelling with Animation.* **Sharing Units** are: *Sharing with Optical Media, Sharing on the Internet, Sharing using Multimedia Presentations.* For more information on the structure click on '**Structure**'.