Designlab

Advanced Figma

Design user interfaces and websites in Figma with greater speed, precision, and flexibility

→ **COURSE LENGTH**
4 weeks; 5-6 hours per week

→ **WHO IT'S FOR**
Mid-to-senior level designers

→ **PRICE POINT**
$699

→ **ABOUT THIS COURSE**

Advanced Figma is a deep dive course designed to boost your skills from working knowledge to professional expertise.

This course is not just about learning advanced features—it's about leveraging the nuances of Figma to enhance product design team efficiency and effectiveness. In this course, you'll apply auto layout and constraints for flexible and responsive designs, use components to build sophisticated and flexible design systems, and employ variables to set solid design foundations.

Along the way, you'll learn shortcuts to speed up your workflow, as well as mental models to help you plan your work and think more effectively about layouts, design tokens, components, and variables.

→ **WHY THESE SKILLS MATTER**

Figma has quickly become the industry standard tool for product and interaction design. All the leading companies use it, and by advancing your skills and expertise in this tool, you'll simplify your design workflow and improve your efficiency making you a stronger hire or a better collaborator. It's built specifically for cooperation with developers, so understanding its "technical" side will empower you more as a stakeholder.

→ FORMAT

During the 4-week online course, you'll engage in a mix of learning moments, including:

- **Hybrid format:** Complete each week's lessons and exercises on your own, then meet in weekly live sessions with your cohort and mentor.
- **Self-paced learning:** Video and written lessons will teach core concepts, with exercises to practice in Figma as you go.
- **Hands-on projects:** Create reusable libraries and interface designs in Figma, with each project building on what you've learned.
- **Cohort discussions and critiques:** Attend live, mentor-led group sessions to discuss work in progress and get live Figma guidance.
- **Mentor feedback:** Receive personalized feedback on your project work from an expert to enhance both your designs and your workflow.

→ WHAT YOU'LL LEARN

✅ **Build flexible UI layouts with ease and agility**
Use auto layout, hug and fill, absolute positioning, and resizing effectively for mocking up flexible and responsive UI elements and layouts

✅ **Design UI elements you can remix and reuse**
Assemble a library of flexible, reusable, and nested UI components, with attention to ease of use and collaboration

✅ **Create your own design system and branding**
Define a system of design tokens with variables and styles in Figma as a basis for color, spacing, sizing, and typography within the context of a design system

✅ **Work in Figma efficiently and confidently**
Develop a workflow of shortcuts and approaches to make your personal design practice more nimble, system-oriented, and well-organized

→ WHAT WE'LL COVER

1 ## Week 1: Constructing Flexible Layouts

ADAPTIVE CONTENT AND CONTAINERS

Using a combination of techniques in Figma, construct more bulletproof layouts that will conform to their contents and containers.

AUTO LAYOUT

Learn how to use auto layout to manage flow direction, alignment, and padding.

HUG AND FILL

Make layouts adaptable to contents and containers through the use of intrinsic widths and heights.

CONSTRAINTS

Specify how the layout changes at different screen sizes, browser widths, and zoom levels.

2   Week 2: Fundamentals of Reusable Components

ICONS

Establish icon systems for better integration and reuse across your component library.

CORE COMPONENTS

Build robust components for UI elements like buttons and tags with straightforward properties for easy reuse.

NESTED COMPONENTS

Intelligently integrate components, leveraging nested properties to enhance ease of management.

3   Week 3: Building Complex and Versatile Components

COMPONENTS DEEP DIVE

Continue to build on your knowledge of components and expand your library into a more comprehensive and robust system.

CONTAINERS AND PLACEHOLDERS

Make even more flexible components by allowing collaborators to swap in whatever component they'd like inside your containers.

TABLES AND DATA GRIDS

Explore the pros and cons of various approaches to building components for tables and data grids.

4   Week 4: Creating Design Tokens with Variables

COLOR

Build color palettes that differentiate between base color values, semantic colors, and component-specific colors.

TYPOGRAPHY

Establish flexible and expressive systems for typographic styles to use throughout your designs, across platforms and channels.

SIZE AND SPACE

Save yourself from eyeballing or nudging pixels, and start using a system that translates more accurately when your designs are implemented.

READY TO LEARN?

Sign up to learn the advanced features, processes and workflows of the most efficient Figma users.

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