

# WEA Course information sheet 2020-21



**Adult Learning  
Within Reach**

<b>Course title:</b> Computer Skills for the Workplace		<b>Course ID:</b> C2344706
<b>Start date:</b> 06/05/2021	<b>End date:</b> 10/06/2021	<b>Day(s)/time(s):</b> Thu 09:30
<b>Number of sessions:</b> 5	<b>Hours per session:</b> 2.5	<b>Tutor</b> Alka Champaneri
<b>Additional hours:</b>	<b>Online Learning Hours:</b> 0	
<b>Specific funder/partner requirements:</b>		
<b>Awarding body (if any):</b> <b>Title of qualification to be gained:</b>		<b>Level:</b> Level 1
<b>Fee:</b> £51.25 or <b>Free</b> if you are in receipt of an income related benefit (only SFA funded) <b>Accreditation Fee</b> (if applicable):		
<b>Venue:</b> WEA, 101 Hinckley Road, Leicester, Leics, LE3 0TD		
<p><b>Theme(s):</b> The WEA has four themes it uses for planning its provision.  <b>Employability</b> – helping students to get a job or to make progress in their employment  <b>Health and Wellbeing</b> – making a positive contribution to their own or others health and wellbeing  <b>Community Engagement</b> – encouraging students to be positively involved in their communities  <b>Culture</b> – learning about diverse cultures, identities and environments</p> <p>The Theme(s) used in planning your course is/ are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Employability</b></li> <li></li> </ol>		

## Course Aim

Improve your IT Skills and Word Processing Techniques by using packages such as Microsoft Word, Excel, Access and PowerPoint. Students will be able to create documents using a variety of IT applications.

## Course Description

A practical and flexible way of improving your ICT skills using Office 2010. You will work towards achieving individual New Clait and Clait Plus Units in a variety of Microsoft applications such as File Management and PowerPoint and improve your skills in basic and advanced Word processing techniques such as Mail-merge, Word Processing, Document Presentation and Speed skills. Students will be able to achieve Internal WEA Assessments. This course will increase your IT skills which in turn will help with your employability opportunities too.

## Do I need any particular skills or experience?

## What will I achieve?

### By the end of the course I will be able to:

- Demonstrate good understanding of the various packages available in Microsoft Office such as Word, Excel and PowerPoint.
- Have increased knowledge and confidence in the use of IT applications that could help towards progression into work.

3. Have increased confidence to think and work independently which could be transferable to a work environment.
4. Have improved mental health and well being by attending regularly and interacting with others in the class group.

### **What teaching methods will be used and will there be work outside of the class?**

- The WEA tutor will use a range of different teaching and learning methods and encourage you and the group to be actively involved in your learning
- You may be asked to undertake additional work in your own time to support your learning
- You will be expected to carry out a range of activities in your own time
- Practical tasks, written and verbal feedback from your tutor, completing practice assessments, internal WEA assessment and student diary.

### **What kind of feedback can I expect from the tutor?**

- A range of informal activities will be used by the tutor to see what you are learning which may include quizzes, question and answer, small projects and discussion
- You will have opportunities to discuss your progress with your tutor
- You will be encouraged to share your work with the group and discuss your learning
- You will be encouraged to consider other students work and give your opinions and suggestions
- A file of work will be kept which will help to record your progress
- There will be a number of tasks appropriate to your course such as written work, creating art or craft, video, photography or small projects. Some of these may be marked to help you progress

### **What else do I need to know? Is there anything I need to bring?**

- You will need a personal email address to join the WEA's digital learning platform, Canvas so that you can receive resources, record your progress and achievement and to work with others and share ideas. If you want to understand more about our digital learning platform please visit:  
<http://bit.ly/WEAonline>
- All materials will be provided
- A selection of materials and basic equipment will be provided but you are welcome to bring additional materials with you
- It would be helpful if you had access to the internet (Mobile phone, tablet or computer at home or through a library etc.)

### **Pre-course work, reading and information sources**

- You will have access to course resources and links to wider learning through the WEA's digital learning platform, Canvas: <http://bit.ly/WEAonline>

### **Possible next steps after this course (including career opportunities if appropriate)**

- Progress to another WEA course
- This course could lead to a range of job opportunities. Follow link to National Careers Service for more details <https://nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk/>
- Become involved with the WEA in a range of voluntary work and other activities including campaigning as a WEA member
- Become involved as a volunteer for a WEA partner or another organisation
- You could progress to Higher Education courses. Follow link to the PEARL website for information <http://pearl.open.ac.uk/>

- Access the WEA What Next? booklet here <http://www.wea.org.uk/learn-wea/what-can-i-do-next>
- Progression onto Advanced Computer Skills for the Workplace

## Learning with the WEA

WEA courses increasingly make use of the rich variety of educational tools and material available on the internet and from digital devices. The WEA's digital learning platform, Canvas will play an increasing role in all WEA courses to provide resources or support, or to conduct lessons, enable assessment, provide learner feedback and for other activities for individuals away from the course. It is helpful, although not essential if you have access to a computer or smartphone to support your course.

You can read about your entitlements and responsibilities as a WEA student in our leaflet, Student Handbook here <http://www.wea.org.uk/learn-wea/student-support> This includes information on fees, learning support and financial support. As part of your course you accept our Learning Agreement and Privacy Notice. Full details of the Learning Agreement and privacy notice can be found on our website at <http://www.wea.org.uk/policies>. This applies to all courses you take in this academic year.

You can enrol online for most courses <http://www.wea.org.uk/learn-wea/course-search> or contact: WEA Support Services, Suite 10B Joseph's Well, Hanover Way, Leeds, West Yorkshire, LS3 1AB Tel: 0300 303 3464 Email: [courseenquiries@wea.org.uk](mailto:courseenquiries@wea.org.uk)



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