



UNIVERSITÀ  
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

## COURSE SYLLABUS

### Theory and Techniques of New Media (blended)

2122-2-E2001R024

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#### Course title

New media. Theories and Practices

#### Topics and course structure

The course is focused on epistemologies, practices and tools of the digital technologies of Communication and the Web. The Web has progressively affirmed and changed the world of information and social communication as well as the styles of corporate, institutional and journalistic communication. Web 2.0 and its applications, Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, Google, Youtube, have suggested us a new way of interaction between man and device - tablet and smartphone notebooks. Moreover they are revolutionizing communication and marketing across the world. The course is divided into three parts:

- a. the history and developments of the digital revolution;
- b. The languages of the new media,
- c. communication and digital marketing

#### Objectives

## Part 1

Students acquired the following knowledges:

- characteristics of "informational society" that is the dominant social model in developed countries;
- technological origins of digital revolution and computational machines;
- Internet and Web History.

## Part 2

- state of the art of theories of hypermedia;
- principles of web design;
- multimedia learning and infographic.

## Part 3

- basics of Digital Marketing, its affinities and differences with the traditional one;
- main Techniques and Methodologies of Digital Marketing.

Students acquired the following competences:

- to spread the basic elements of a "Digital Marketing" plan for a product or a

## **Methodologies**

Blended Learning.

This is delivered according to the "Flipped Classroom" method. It will provide a continuum of classroom activities and on-line activities and will be divided into two modules consisting of one lesson per week, materials, video lessons and online presentations, and two projects to be conducted with the support of a tutor on-line

## Online and offline teaching materials

The Blended Learning course inside del University VLE

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The second part of the Mooc deepens this issue from the specific point of view of communication and tries to outline the characteristics of the digital "writing space" at a first level. In particular the transition from analogical and sequential writing to multimedia and hypermedia electronics is outlined.

The third part analyzes the history of the Internet and the web and explains how some of the features of the Web's origins such as openness, content-free and interactive communication style have contributed to creating a distributed communication model that completely changes the rules of the game of communication.

2. This parts has the aim of deepening the different languages ??of the Web and it is articulated into five parts. The goal is to clarify and explain the transition from Mass Media to New Media.

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### **Assessment methods**

Oral examination

Small group project work

### **Office hours**

on appointment

### **Programme validity**

The programs are valid for two academic years

### **Course tutors and assistants**

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