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1. Introduction to the course

The online course "Supporting the Digital Transformation of Museums. The DCBox approach", produced within the DCBox project with the support of the Erasmus+ Programme of the European Union, aims to encourage the competence building of museums curators and students interested in cultural heritage related careers in the field of digital transformation. The course provides training on how the digital transformation can enhance the offer of museums and supports current and future museum experts in exploiting successfully all the potential of digital technologies and tools.

The course targets primarily professional Digital curators and students of the courses of

- Digital Cultural Heritage (CYI)
- Building Engineering- Architecture (UNIVPM) with a specific curriculum in Heritage enhancement and management
- Tourism (UCO)
- Engineering and Architectural Representation and Drawing (Intercollegiate MD) (UCO)
- Management of Cultural and Natural Heritage in urban and rural environment (UCO)
- Architecture (LUSO)
- Educational Sciences & Arts (LUSO).
- Computers Animations, Computer Graphics, Multimedia and Computer Design (UNI),

The course is available in English. It will be piloted with a minimum of 20 learners from the partner universities.

In this document, we describe the main features of the course, highlighting the pedagogical approach adopted, the overall structure and content features of the course, the approach and tools for assessment and certification of learners.

2. The pedagogical approach to the course

"After forty years of intensive research on school learning in the United States as well as abroad, my major conclusion is: What any person in the world can learn, almost all persons can learn if provided with **appropriate prior** and current conditions of learning."

Benjamin Bloom

DCBOX adopts the Bloom taxonomy¹ as a pedagogical framework for the definition of learning objectives and outcomes. The taxonomy, firstly published in 1956, places educational goals into specific categories to enable a better assessment of learners:



Fig 1 the Bloom taxonomy

In the pyramid, basic skills lie at the bottom, and more advanced ones reside at the top. As students progress, they make their way to the pinnacle.

Whilst initially developed to enable assessment, the Bloom's taxonomy became used by teachers and trainers to define the curriculum, design learning objectives and outline classroom activities.

In 2001, a revised taxonomy was published, featured by the following changes:

- Category names changed from nouns to verbs to reflect that learning is an activity.
- Switched position of the two top categories with creation (creating) reaching the top of the pyramid (and of the learning hierarchy).
- Introduction of the idea that each layer of the pyramid (representing a knowledge dimension) can be broken down into four degrees of knowledge: factual, conceptual, procedural and metacognitive.

¹ Bloom, B. S.; Engelhart, M. D.; Furst, E. J.; Hill, W. H.; Krathwohl, D. R. (1956). *Taxonomy of educational objectives: The classification of educational goals*. Vol. Handbook I: Cognitive domain. New York: David McKay Company

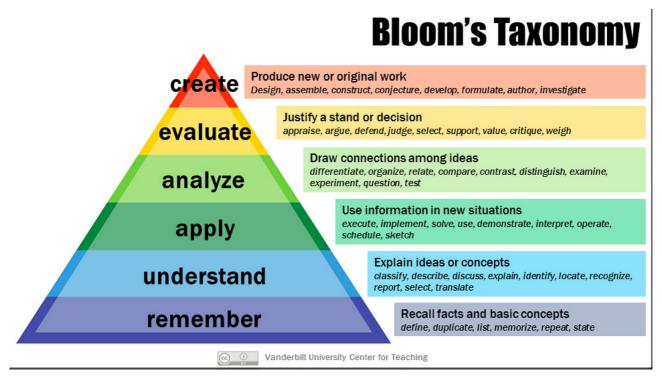


Fig 2 The Bloom taxonomy revised

In promoting an integrated approach to our DCBOX course design, including the importance of aligning the learning outcomes with the teaching and learning activities developed and the techniques used for feedback and assessment, we aim for the course to create a significant learning experience for those involved.

In the following chapters, we will analyse the expected learning outcomes of the course and provide an overview about the course structure and content.

3. Target group and course participants' requirements

The course is addressed to professional museum staff and students of the faculties of Engineering, Architecture but also Humanities faculties, with the following characteristics:

- Basic ICT skills (use of computer, email, forum etc.)
- Curiosity and willingness to learn about heritage and museum digitization
- Openness to re-think and question one's working practice
- High engagement with individual and group learning activities
- Open to constructive feedback, respectful to others

The consortium has agreed to keep these requirements implicit and to avoid adopting entry requirements to the course, leaving it open to anyone interested.

4. Competences addressed by the course

The list below presents an overview of the competences that the course aims to support

- Ability to describe what digitization of Cultural Heritage is
- Ability to determine the main digital curator's skills
- Ability to define some technological innovation for museums
- Familiarity with 3D modeling related projects exploiting active (3D scanners) and passive sensors (DSLR cameras)
- Planning and data collection skills according to the most appropriate methodology
- Ability to process data and deliver accurate results
- Mastering of different methods for reality and non-reality-based 3D modelling
- Capacity to optimize 3D data for different kind of purposes
- Ability to Assess and evaluate Cultural Heritage Projects
- Ability to manage Digital Cultural Heritage being aware of international and European guidelines and rules
- Ability to guarantee the interchanging and preservation of Digital Cultural Heritage using the Open Formats
- Ability to manage and adapt Digital Cultural Heritage to the EN and ISO standards
- Capacity to develop good strategies for the cataloguing and information management of Digital Cultural Heritage
- Capacity to model data using the Entity-Relationship (ER) and the Enhanced Entity Relationship (EER) Models
- Being aware of the importance of Organization and Management in developing and running innovative information systems
- Being knowledgeable of the framework of digital dissemination for the Cultural Heritage
- Ability to use marketing principles and strategies
- Ability to preliminary design a museum website
- Being aware of the main Extended Reality technologies for Cultural Heritage
- Capacity to define and evaluate the best XR solution basing on some real cases
- Ability to ideate and develop simple applications for museums
- Being aware of the main AI technologies for Cultural Heritage
- Capacity to draft the most common assessment questionnaires
- Capacity to conduct a simple survey on a museum application

5. Course approach and phases

The course is delivered fully online, in English, on Moodle. It is fully open to any interested participant. There will be a differentiation in terms of certification as the learners selected by the project partners for the course piloting will receive an assessment certificate, stating the competences and knowledge achieved and the number of hours spent on the course (to enable institutional recognition in terms of ECTS where possible) whereas learners which are not part of the piloting will be able to access the modules but will not be granted tutoring services nor will they be able to run the quizzes during the piloting, and they will receive a certificate of participation.

The course is divided in 4 areas, each containing one or more modules, as follows:

Area A - DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION OF CULTURAL HERITAGE	Module 1 – Digital transformation in Cultural Heritage
Area B - ADVANCED 3D DIGITIZATION	Module 2 - Digitization Module 3 – 3D Modelling and data implementation
Area C - POLICIES AND DIGITAL DATA PRESERVATION	Module 4 – Policy rules and licensing Module 5 – Digital data preservation
Area D - DIGITAL ACCESS: UNIVERSAL DESIGN AND VIRTUAL EXPERIENCES	Module 6 - Communication and marketing strategies in Cultural Heritage Module 7 - Virtualization Module 8 - New frontiers in Cultural Heritage

Participants will be requested to complete all modules to get their certificate. Participants in the pilot will in addition be requested to run all the activities and quizzes to get their certificate.

The modules include videos with content authored by the consortium on the subjects addressed; link to complementary material (articles, web sites, publications, MOOCs, OER etc), activities (where relevant) to be implemented by the learner to test their skills acquisition; slides of the presentations given in the videos and quizzes to allow learners' self-assessment on the knowledge gained. A detailed structure of the modules is provided in Annex 1.

Based on the set of competences presented in chapter 4, the table below provides an overview of the Learning objectives and expected learning outcomes for each module/area.

AREA	Module	Competences	Learning Objectives	Learning Outcomes
AREA A	Module 1	digitization of Cultural Heritage is 2. To be able to determine the main digital curator's skills	To become aware of the importance of preserving and enhancing Digital Cultural Heritage To explain terms like museology, museography, digital humanities, digital twin, digital heritage To became aware of the role of the museum curator throughout the years To define the requested humanistic and digital skills to participate in the digitization process	
AREA B	Module 2	modeling related projects exploiting active (3D scanners) and passive sensors (DSLR cameras) 2. To be able to plan and collect data according to the most appropriate methodology	 To be able to choose the most appropriate technique according to the specific project goal To understand the full range-based 3D modelling pipeline for data processing: from range maps to a complete 3D model To understand the full image-based 3D modelling pipeline: from images to a complete 	develop the competences that allow them to plan, perform, process the collected data, and deliver a high-resolution accurate 3D model or digital related product. They will be introduced to the use of several sensors installed on aerial and terrestrial platforms. Hands-on exercises, exploiting open source and commercial software, will give them the chance to practice on real case-studies, challenging themselves with open questions and solutions.

AREA B	Module 3	different methods for reality and non-reality-based 3D modelling To be able to post process and optimize 3D data for different	To study and assess direct and procedural modelling through the analysis of real case studies To perform and complete virtual restoration and 3D modelling restoration tasks through practical	a broad understanding of the technique to process, optimize and manage reality and non-reality-based 3D models. They will be introduced to the use of several post-processing software and 3D data ranging from small objects to
AREA C	Module 4	Cultural Heritage according to international and European guidelines and rules To be able to guarantee the interchanging and preservation of Digital Cultural Heritage using the Open Formats To be able to manage and	To be able to define what Digital Cultural Heritage is. To be introduced to intellectual property laws in connection to cultural institutions and Digital	develop the competences that allow them to manage Digital Cultural Heritage according to the European and international conventions and guidelines. They will be able to adapt the EN and ISO standards about digital sources to standardizing Digital Cultural Heritage for the international scenario. In addition, they will be able to use the Open formats for digital cultural heritage's preservation.

AREA C	Module 5	strategies for the cataloguing and information management of Digital Cultural Heritage To be able to model data using the Entity-Relationship (ER) and the Enhanced Entity Relationship (EER) Models To be able to understand the importance of Organization and Management in developing	To be able to define the main areas of interest aimed at communicating and enhancing the cultural heritage To understand Database System Concepts and Architecture To create database queries To learn basic concept of Structured Query	able to develop state-of-the-art strategies regarding the preservation and interchanging of the digital data and they will acquire the knowledge that allow them to develop long- and short-term plans for the information management and cataloguing of Cultural Heritage. In addition, the students will be able to understand data model, to interact with existing
AREA D	Module 6	framework of digital dissemination for the Cultural Heritage	To understand the framework of digital dissemination for the Cultural Heritage To acquire some marketing principles and strategies To preliminary design a museum website	the competences that allow them to orient

AREA D	Module 7	main Extended Reality technologies for Cultural Heritage To be able to define and evaluate the best XR solution	To become aware of the main applications for	to explain the conceptual and technological differences between VR, AR, MR, and XR. Furthermore, they will learn the underlying
AREA D	Module 8	main AI technologies for Cultural Heritage To be able to define most	-To become aware of best practices of AI in the heritage science -To become aware of the most common assessment questionnaires and their underlying concepts	what Artificial Intelligence (AI) is, explore concrete cases and applications of AI, understand AI concepts and terms like machine learning, deep learning and neural networks. They will become aware of some key applications of AI in Heritage Science by means

7. Course content

The course is composed of four areas, which explore 4 key aspects of the digital transformation of museums. Each area contains one or more modules, as follows:

AREA A - DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION OF MUSEUMS

Module 1. Digital transformation of museums

Module 1 is and introduction to the course's contents and objectives. The digital transformation is the most effective process in order to preserve, enhance and disseminate the CH. Since in the next modules you will face the most common used tools and techniques, a proper overview on the fascinating scenario of Digital Cultural heritage can give you a sound base.

AREA B - ADVANCED 3D DIGITIZATION

Module 2. Digitization

Module 2 tackles the reality-based 3D modelling domain from different perspectives, in order to provide a solid knowledge of all the methodologies involved. Lectures will be mixed together with practical exercises and tutorials.

Module 3. 3D Modelling and data implementation

Module 3 tackles the 3D modelling workflow for reality and non-reality-based data post processing and data optimization. Both practical and theoretical approaches will be highlighted, coupled with real case studies.

AREA C - POLICY AND DIGITAL DATA PRESERVATION

Module 4 - Policy rules and licensing

Module 4 provides a number of essential topics for management and preservation of Digital Cultural Heritage. It includes the study of European policies and recommendations for Digital Cultural Heritage; Digital information and Cultural Heritage Law; EN and ISO standards and Open File Formats for interchanging and preservation.

Module 5 - Digital data preservation

Module 5 provides a number of essential topics for management and preservation of Digital Cultural Heritage. It includes the Digital Cataloguing strategies for Cultural Heritage; Tools and techniques for cataloguing; Database design and Information Management System.

AREA D - DIGITAL ACCESS: UNIVERSAL DESIGN AND VIRTUAL EXPERIENCES

Module 6. Communication and marketing strategies in Cultural Heritage

The dissemination and the communication of the digital Cultural Heritage owned by museum represents of the main Topic and challenge. This module focuses on Tools, resources, best practices, and descriptive standards for building robust digital collection programs and for adopting marketing strategies.

Module 7. Virtualisation

Cultural Heritage virtualisation represents a challenge in terms of humanities and informatics skills. It is a tangible means for the enhancement and the narrative of museums' collections. Module 7 offers a concise and effective overview of the Extended Reality technologies and explains how they are employed in the sector of the app developing through the study of some of the best digital practice.

Module 8. New frontiers in Cultural heritage

Some of the new frontiers in CH will be discussed in this module. By using AI and XR technologies it is possible to implement sophisticated tracking of user experiences or automatized the 3d modelling processes that currently are mostly manual.

8. Learners' assessment

Assessment will be both formative and summative:

- Formative: Tutors will assess the acquired knowledge and skills of tutors by checking the learners' activities during the Modules and providing feedback to learners. At least one tutor per partner will be identified, and tutorship will be vertical (learners will have to relate to different tutors depending on the module and specific subject addressed).
- Summative: Quizzes are provided in each module to let learners self-assess their acquired knowledge

In each module, we have indicated the skills and knowledge that learners are expected to gain. Assessment in quizzes and by tutors will be therefore based on the defined competence and knowledge framework.

9. Course certification

Upon completion of the course based on the assessment criteria described above, learners being part of the pilot will receive a Competence **Certificate**, in PDF by the project with title of the training, partners' logos, n. of hours, curriculum, etc. Each HE partners' institution will define internally the feasibility of including in the certificate the number of acknowledged ECTS to the students. Learners who took the course not being part of the pilot will receive a Certificate of Attendance.

ANNEX 1. Module template

DCBOX Module Template

Basic data of the module	
Area title	
Module title and number	
Lessons Included	
Authors	
Duration of the module (in hrs)	
Introduction and module description	This module is about It is aimed to

- 1. Specific Competences addressed in the module
- 2. Learning objectives of the module
- 3. Expected Learning outcomes
- 4. Video

Video in English provided by the involved partners.

5. Text

Written information about theories and practices.

- 6. Activities
- 7. Quiz/ Self-assessment test
- 8. Bibliography
- 9. Relevant Material

ANNEX 3. Certificate





OF ACCOMPLISHMENT

This is to declare that



Date Issued

Has successfully completed the 2 ECTS online course within the project

Supporting the Digital Transformation of Museums.

The DCbox Approach

Massive Open Online Course

The 8 modules provided a theoretical and practical overview about the skills, competencies and expertise as digital curators by providing comprehensive knowledge in digital transformation, 3D digitization, policy and data preservation, and digital access for cultural heritage.

Partner Organisations













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