

Digital and IT

Digital Functional Skills

This course is for adults who want to develop their understanding of, and gain the skills commonly used in the digital world.

When does this start and end?

We have 2 different start dates for this course:

- 20 November 2025 - 19 December 2025
- 26 February 2026 - 27 March 2026

What are the entry requirements?

Students will need existing basic digital skills or to have completed the First Steps with Computers course.

You will also need to have completed an initial assessment prior to the course start date.

Need more information?

You can find out more about Northern College and the courses on offer by calling us on 01226 776000 or emailing us courses@northern.ac.uk

Course description

The qualification gives you the opportunity to develop an appropriate level of digital skills, to use digital devices and the internet, and to apply this knowledge and these skills in common situations. By improving your digital skills, you could unlock new job opportunities, as well as boost your confidence in using digital devices.

On completion of this course you will achieve an:

Entry Level 3 Functional Digital Skills Qualification

If you are interested in developing your IT skills you can access this course as part of an 11

week programme to give you all the basic skills you will need.

What can this course lead to?

This course will support you to progress onto further short courses with us. Our Student Support Services team will work with you to design a personalised learning journey based on your needs and aspirations.

Want to learn more?

You can find out more about Northern College and the courses on offer at one of our Open Events [<https://www.northern.ac.uk/open-events/>]

Course session dates

Session dates for 20 November 2025 - 19 December 2025

- Thursday 20 Nov 2025 to Friday 21 Nov 2025
- Thursday 27 Nov 2025 to Friday 28 Nov 2025
- Thursday 04 Dec 2025 to Friday 05 Dec 2025
- Thursday 11 Dec 2025 to Friday 12 Dec 2025
- Thursday 18 Dec 2025 to Thursday 18 Dec 2025

Session dates for 26 February 2026 - 27 March 2026

- Thursday 26 Feb 2026 to Friday 27 Feb 2026
- Thursday 05 Mar 2026 to Friday 06 Mar 2026
- Thursday 12 Mar 2026 to Friday 13 Mar 2026
- Thursday 19 Mar 2026 to Friday 20 Mar 2026
- Thursday 26 Mar 2026 to Friday 27 Mar 2026

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