Getting started with the course

- Video: Introduction to Course 6
 4 min
- Reading: Course 6 overview 20 min
- Reading: Helpful resources to get started
- Discussion Prompt: Meet and greet 10 min

Understanding e-commerce and why it matters

Terms, tools, and strategies in ecommerce

Getting started in e-commerce

Review: Introduction to make the sale: build, launch, and manage e-commerce stores

Course 6 overview

You are now beginning the sixth course of the program, **Make the Sale: Build, Launch, and Manage E-commerce Stores**. By the end of this course, you'll understand what e-commerce means and what the benefits are for selling online. You'll learn the basic terms, tools, and platforms used in e-commerce. You'll also learn how to drive valuable traffic to an e-commerce store through ads and campaigns. Finally, you'll discover how to engage customers and create a personalized experience online.

Course progress

The entire program has seven courses. **Make the Sale: Build, Launch, and Manage E-commerce Stores** is the sixth course in the series.



- 1. **Foundations of Digital Marketing and E-commerce** ☐—Learn about the fields of digital marketing and e-commerce and the skills needed for associate-level roles.
- 2. <u>Attract and Engage Customers with Digital Marketing</u> ☐—Apply the marketing funnel concept to stages of the customer journey, including engagement, conversion, and loyalty. Learn methods for search engine optimization so potential customers find your products or services.
- 3. **From Likes to Leads: Interact with Customers Online** ☑—Learn how to create marketing content and ads on social media platforms and evaluate their effectiveness using social media analytics data.
- 4. Think Outside the Inbox: Email Marketing ☐—Learn how to execute email campaigns, use mailing lists, and automate customer communication and workflows.
- 5. Assess for Success: Marketing Analytics and Measurement —Learn how to collect, monitor, analyze, and present data from marketing campaigns using analytics and presentation tools.
- 6. Make the Sale: Build, Launch, and Manage E-commerce Stores ☐—(current course) Learn the process to create a new e-commerce store and drive traffic to the online business through advertising campaigns.
- 7. **Satisfaction Guaranteed: Develop Customer Loyalty Online** —Learn strategies to build customer loyalty in e-commerce and use specific tools to help develop and maintain client relationships. This course also closes out the program with professional development topics to help you prepare for a job search.

Course 6 content

This course has weekly assignments. You can complete them at your own pace; however, the weekly assignments are designed to help you finish the program in six months or fewer. Refer to the information below about weekly progression for this course.

Week 1: Introduction to Make the sale: Build, launch, and manage e-commerce stores

You will explore the field of e-commerce and learn about the benefits of selling products online. You'll study the common terms, tools, roles, and strategies that are used in e-commerce. Then, you'll learn how to begin an e-commerce project using market research, competitive analysis, target audience identification, product research, product sourcing, and brand strategy.

Week 2: Learn about online stores

You will learn about different e-commerce stores, including Shopify. You'll learn about creating, designing, and optimizing an online store to sell products. Then, you'll build a mock Shopify store and create product listings for it.

Week 3: Ads and campaigns in e-commerce

You will discover how to reach customers online through methods like advertisement campaigns and examine the benefits of online advertising. Then, you'll explore how seasonality affects e-commerce businesses. Finally, you'll learn how to optimize an e-commerce marketing strategy to meet campaign goals.

Week 4: Engage customers with an online store

You will learn how to engage with customers online. You'll explore how the online checkout process works and how to entice customers to purchase a product. You'll also learn how to move customers efficiently through the flow of a Shopify store. You'll end the course by learning about the importance of creating a successful path to purchase for customers and how the order fulfillment and shipping process works.

What to expect

This course offers a series of lessons with many types of learning opportunities. These include:

- **Videos** for instructors to teach new concepts and demonstrate the use of tools
- Readings to introduce new ideas and build on the concepts from the videos
- $\bullet \quad \underline{\textbf{Discussion forums}} \quad \Box \\ \text{to share, explore, and reinforce lesson topics for better understanding} \\$
- Discussion prompts to promote thinking and engagement in the discussion forums
- Self reviews to practice tasks and check your results for accuracy or correctness
 In-video quizzes to help your comprehension of content presented in videos
- Practice quizzes to prepare you for graded quizzes
- **Graded quizzes** to measure your progress, give you valuable feedback, and satisfy program completion to obtain a certificate—Following program guidelines, you can take a graded quiz multiple times to achieve a passing score of 80% or higher.

Tips for success

- It is strongly recommended to go through the items in each lesson in the order they appear because new information and concepts build on previous knowledge.
- Participate in all learning opportunities to gain as much knowledge and experience as possible.
- If something is confusing, don't hesitate to replay a video, review a reading, or repeat a self-review activity.
- Use the additional resources that are referenced in this course. They are designed to support your learning.
- When you encounter useful links in this course, remember to bookmark them so you can refer to the information later for study or review.
- Understand and follow the <u>Coursera Code of Conduct</u> ☐ to ensure that the learning community remains a welcoming, friendly, and supportive place for all members.