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CapCut Editing Mastery: From Beginner to Pro!

This course will transform you from a CapCut newbie to a confident video editor! We'll explore all the key features to create engaging and polished content for social media or any project.

Module 1: CapCut Basics & Interface

- Introduction: Dive into the world of CapCut and its potential.
- Navigating the Interface: Become familiar with the workspace and tools.
- Importing & Project Setup: Learn to import your clips and set up your editing project.

Module 2: Editing Fundamentals

- Trimming & Splitting: Master precise cutting for focused storytelling.
- Merging & Arranging Clips: Learn to combine clips seamlessly and structure your video.
- Adding Text & Stickers: Enhance your videos with titles, captions, and fun graphics.

Module 3: Effects & Transitions

- Level Up with Transitions: Apply smooth transitions for a polished look.
- Eye-catching Effects: Discover various effects to add personality and style.

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- **Keyframe Animation:** Breathe life into your edits with dynamic animations.
- Slow Motion & Speed Control: Create dramatic slow-motion effects or speed things up.
- Green Screen Editing: Unleash your creativity with chroma key (green screen) editing.
- Video Stabilization: Fix shaky footage for a professional touch.

Module 5: Audio & Music

- Adding Background Music: Set the mood with royalty-free music or your own tunes.
- Sound Effects & Voiceovers: Incorporate sound effects and voiceovers for a richer experience.

Module 6: Export & Sharing

- Exporting Your Masterpiece: Choose the perfect video format and resolution for your needs.
- Sharing on Social Media: Learn to export and share your creations on popular platforms.

Module 7: Pro Tips & Tricks

- Trending Templates: Leverage pre-made templates to create trendy videos quickly.
- **Color Correction:** Enhance the visual appeal of your videos with color adjustments.
- CapCut Hacks & Shortcuts: Discover hidden tips and shortcuts for efficient editing.

Project-Based Learning:

Throughout the course, you'll complete engaging projects that reinforce the learned skills. You'll build a portfolio of CapCut edits to showcase your newfound video editing expertise!

By the end of this course, you'll be able to:

- Confidently navigate the CapCut interface.
- Edit videos with precision using trimming, splitting, and merging techniques.
- Enhance your videos with text, stickers, transitions, and effects.
- Utilize advanced features like keyframe animation, slow motion, green screen editing, and stabilization.
- Add captivating audio elements like music and sound effects.
- Export and share your polished videos on social media or any platform.
- Explore creative possibilities with trending templates and color correction tools.

Module 1: CapCut Basics & Interface

What is CapCut

CapCut is a free, all-in-one video editing tool available for mobile devices (Android and iOS) and computers (Windows and Mac) https://www.capcut.com/. It allows you to create and edit videos with a variety of features, making it popular for social media content.

Here are some reasons why people use CapCut:

- **Easy to use:** CapCut is known for its user-friendly interface, making it a good option for beginners or those who don't want to deal with complex editing software How to use CapCut Video Editing.
- **Rich features:** Despite being easy to use, CapCut offers a surprising amount of functionality. You can perform basic editing tasks like trimming, splitting, and merging videos, as well as add text, stickers, transitions, and effects
- Advanced options: CapCut also boasts some more advanced features, including keyframe animation, slow motion effects, chroma key (green screen) editing, and video stabilization
- Free to use: CapCut is completely free to use, with no in-app purchases required to access its features.
- **Trending features:** CapCut stays up-to-date with current trends, offering templates, effects, and music that are popular on social media platforms like TikTok and Instagram

Creating Videos with CapCut Templates: A Step-by-Step Guide

CapCut templates offer a fantastic way to jumpstart your video editing journey or create trendy content quickly. Here's how to use them:

1. Open CapCut and Access Templates:

- Launch the CapCut app on your mobile device.
- On the main screen, locate the "**Templates**" icon at the bottom (looks like a square with a folded corner).

2. Find the Perfect Template:

• Browse through the vast library of templates. You can explore by category or use the search bar to find something specific.

• Pay attention to the video length and the number of media slots each template offers.

3. Apply the Template:

• Once you find a template you like, simply tap on "Use Template" to begin editing.

4. Replace Placeholder Media:

- Each template will have designated sections (photos or videos) marked for replacement.
- Tap on a placeholder to select your own photos or videos from your device's storage.

5. Export and Share Your Creation:

- Once you're happy with your edits, tap the export button (arrow pointing right) at the top right corner.
- Choose your preferred video resolution and frame rate.
- You can then save the video to your device or directly share it on social media platforms.

Interface

Setting the Stage: The CapCut Workspace

1. Timeline:

• The timeline in CapCut is the main workspace where you arrange and edit your video project. It's essentially a visual representation of your video's structure and timing.

1.1. Displaying and Arranging Clips:

- When you import videos, photos, or audio files into your project, you drag and drop them onto the timeline. Each clip appears as a separate block.
- By dragging and repositioning these clip blocks on the timeline, you determine the order in which they appear in your final video.

1.2. Editing Clip Length:

- The length of each clip block on the timeline reflects the clip's duration.
- You can adjust the clip's length by dragging its edges on the timeline. Dragging the right edge extends the clip, while dragging the left edge shortens it.

1.3. Previewing and Playback:

- The timeline has a playhead (usually a vertical white line) that indicates the current playback position.
- By dragging the playhead or using the playback controls, you can preview specific sections of your video project on the screen above the timeline.

1.4. Multiple Tracks:

- The timeline typically has multiple tracks. This allows you to layer different elements of your video project, such as separate video clips, audio tracks, and text overlays.
- By arranging elements on different tracks, you can control which ones appear on top of each other in the final video.

1.5. Editing Tools:

• The timeline provides access to various editing tools. You can split clips, trim unwanted sections, adjust volume levels of audio tracks, and add transitions between clips.

- **2. Editing Tools (Bottom):** This toolbar appears at the bottom of your screen whenever you don't have a clip selected on the timeline. It provides the main editing functions for your entire project.
- 3. Preview Window (Center): You can preview your edits in real-time as you make changes.
 - Use the play/pause button to preview your edits.

Importing & Project Setup

Creating a New Project:

• Tap the "+ New project" button (usually on the main screen) to start a new project.

Importing Your Media:

- There are two ways to import your clips:
 - 1. **The Import Button:** Tap the "Import" button and browse your device's storage to select the photos and videos you want to use.
 - 2. **Drag & Drop (Desktop Only):** In the editing window, locate your media files in your device's file manager and drag them directly onto the CapCut editing window.

Module 2: Editing Fundamentals

Trimming & Splitting

Trimming and splitting in CapCut are two different ways to shorten or edit your video clips:

Trimming: This allows you to remove unwanted sections from the beginning or end of a clip. Imagine cutting off the "excess fat" at the edges.

Splitting: This cuts your clip into two separate clips at a specific point.

Uses for Trimming and Splitting:

- Removing unwanted sections: Cut out mistakes, pauses, or irrelevant parts of your video.
- **Creating a faster-paced video:** Trim off unnecessary silence or slow moments to create a more dynamic video.
- **Creating multiple clips:** Split a long clip into smaller sections for easier editing or rearranging them in a different order.

Trimming:

- 1. **Select the clip** you want to trim in the timeline.
- 2. **Drag the white handles** at the beginning or end of the clip to shorten it.
 - Drag the left handle to remove the beginning.
 - o Drag the right handle to remove the ending.

Splitting (Mobile App):

- 1. Select the clip you want to split.
- 2. Tap the "Split" icon (scissors symbol) on the toolbar.

Now you have two separate clips!

How to split and remove an unwanted video (Mobile App)

Step 1: Import your video

- Launch CapCut and tap the "+" button to start a new project.
- Import your video into the editing window.

Step 2: Locate the unwanted section

• Play the video in the preview window and identify the part you want to remove.

Step 3: Split the clip (at the beginning of the unwanted section)

- Tap on the video clip in the timeline to select it.
- Move the playhead to the exact point where the unwanted section starts.
- Tap the "Split" icon (scissors symbol) on the toolbar

Step 4: Split the clip again (at the end of the unwanted section)

- Now you have two clips. Select the clip containing the unwanted section.
- Move the playhead to the exact point where the unwanted section ends.
- Tap "Split" again to create three separate clips.

Step 5: Delete the unwanted section

- Select the unwanted clip in the middle (the one you want to remove).
- Tap the **Delete** icon on the toolbar.

Class Activity:

- 1. **Import your video clip** into a new CapCut project.
- 2. **Trimming Time!** Identify any unnecessary sections at the beginning or end of your clip.
 - **Task A:** Trim 3 seconds from the beginning of your clip.
 - **Task B:** Trim any awkward pauses or silent moments at the end of your clip until the video cuts to the action.
- 3. **Splitting Scene!** Find a place in your clip where the action changes or a new scene begins.
 - Task A: Split the clip at this point to create two separate clips.
 - Task B: Combine trimming and splitting to create a completely different narrative from your original clip.
 - **Task C:** Reverse Reel: Split your clip into small sections and then rearrange them in reverse order to create a unique rewind effect.

Class Activity 2:

• **Edit Your Video:** Import your footage into the video editing software. Trim the clips to the best moments and arrange them in a way that tells your story. Add transitions, effects, and titles and subtitles.

- Audio: Record audio for the clip
- **Finalize:** Watch your video and make any final adjustments. Keep the total runtime at or below 30 second.
- **Share:** Present your video to the class and upload in Teams. Discuss what story you were trying to tell and any challenges you faced.

• Videos for Editing

- 1. School bag pexels.com
- 2. Smart Phone pexels.com
- 3. Markup pexels.com
- 4. Vegetables pexels.com
- 5. Video: Glass of Water pexels.com

Merging & Arranging Clips

• Learn to combine clips seamlessly and structure your video.

Adding Text & Stickers

• Enhance your videos with titles, captions, and fun graphics.

Add Text Stickers

• Stickers in video editing software are graphic elements you can add to your videos to enhance their visual appeal and convey information in a fun or informative way. They function like digital stickers you might use on photos but with the added benefit of animation in some cases.

Here's a breakdown of what stickers offer in video editing:

- **Visual Interest:** Stickers can add a playful or decorative touch to your video, grabbing attention and making it more visually engaging.
- **Highlight Information:** You can use stickers to point out key elements in your video, add emphasis to specific parts, or illustrate concepts in a creative way.
- **Brand Identity:** Stickers can incorporate your brand logo or mascot, subtly reinforcing your brand identity throughout the video.
- **Emotional Impact:** Stickers can be used to convey emotions or humor, depending on the design and how you use them in your video.

There are two main types of stickers you'll typically find in video editing software:

- 1. **Static Stickers:** These are simple graphic images that don't move. They come in a wide variety of designs, from emojis and smileys to thematic stickers related to holidays, hobbies, or specific topics.
- 2. **Animated Stickers:** These stickers incorporate animation, adding movement and bringing your visuals to life. This can be anything from simple animations like a bouncing emoji to more complex animations

that interact with your video content.

Text to Speech:

• Text-to-speech (TTS) in video editing software allows you to convert written text into a voiceover that you can add to your video. This is a helpful feature for various scenarios:

Creating a Voiceover: If you don't want to record your own voiceover narration, TTS can generate a voice to read your script. **Multiple Languages:** You can create videos with voiceovers in different languages using TTS options with various language support. **Adding Emphasis or Narration:** TTS can be used for specific parts of your video, like adding narration to text overlays or highlighting key points.

Auto Captions:

• Autocaption in video editing is a feature that automatically generates captions (or subtitles) for your videos based on the audio content. This is a fantastic tool for several reasons:

Accessibility: It makes your videos more accessible to viewers who are deaf or hard of hearing, allowing them to follow along with the dialogue. **Non-English Speakers:** Captions can also be helpful for viewers who speak a different language from the one spoken in the video. **Watching Without Sound:** Captions are useful for people watching your video in situations where they can't turn on the sound, like on public transportation or in a library.

Download audio to practice Auto Captions

How to Apply Animations on Captions:

Class Activity:

- Task A:
 - 1. Generate Caption from Above audio.
 - 2. Apply Animations on All Captions Border pop-up I.

See also:

Online Generative Voice AI tool

Text template Auto lyrics Draw Basic:

Aspect ratio:

Aspect ratio is the proportional relationship between the width and height of a rectangle. It's expressed as a colon-separated pair of numbers like width:height (e.g., 16:9, 4:3). Common aspect ratios are used in various fields such as photography, videography, and graphic design. For instance, a 16:9 aspect ratio is ideal for widescreen TVs and monitors, while a 4:3 ratio is suitable for standard-definition TVs and presentations.

Capcut allows you to choose from various aspect ratios to suit your video editing needs. The app supports popular ratios like 16:9 (widescreen), 9:16 (ideal for TikTok and Instagram stories), 4:3 (standard definition TV), 1:1 (square format for social media posts), and more.

Speed: Volume: video Quality:

Module 3: Effects & Transitions

Level Up with Transitions:

Apply smooth transitions for a polished look.

###**Eye-catching Effects:** Discover various effects to add personality and style.

Animations: Transform: Auto reframe: Filters Camera tracking: Remove BG: Retouch:

Module 4: Advanced CapCut Techniques

Keyframe Animations:

Keyframing is a feature that allows you to create motion graphics and smooth animation. To create a motion sequence, you need to define your object's starting and ending points. These markers are referred to as the keyframes. Use CapCut to employ video keyframes with our easy-to-use user interface. Besides keyframe effects, you can add speed curve to smooth your video clips. Learn more: Keyframe Animations - capcut.com

Here are some examples of how keyframes can be used in CapCut:

- Zoom in on a clip: You can use keyframes to create a zooming effect, where you gradually enlarge a specific part of your clip. This can be used to draw attention to a particular detail or create a sense of focus.
- Rotate text: Keyframes can be used to rotate text elements in your CapCut project. This can be a fun way to add dynamism to your text overlays or create a more playful I[ook.
- Fade in or out an image: You can use keyframes to control the opacity of an image overlay in your CapCut project. This allows you to fade an image in or out smoothly, creating a more polished look.
- Create a bouncing effect: Keyframes can be used to animate the position of an element in your CapCut project, allowing you to create bouncing or moving elements. This can be a great way to add a touch of whimsy to your video.
- Animate color changes: Keyframes can also be used to animate the color of elements in your CapCut project. This can be used to create a color shift effect or to match the colors of your video to the mood or theme you're going for.

How to add keyframes in CapCut?

Step 1: Start a new project Access CapCut's well-rounded editor via a web browser. Click 'Create new video' and select the appropriate ratio for your project. Upload relevant media to the cloud or start with stock videos and add them to the multitrack editor.

Step 2: Add keyframes to video Select a video clip on the multitrack editor and go to the 'Basic' tab in the upper-right corner. Click the keyframe icon to add it to the clips as you want, and then adjust the parameters for perfect animation. Want to make your video stand out? Make the best of other robust editing tools. For instance, apply a speed curve to make your action movie gripping and thrilling.

Step 3: Export and share After adding the final touch-ups to the video, download or share it with the audience with just one click. Be it for online presentations, team reviews, or social media promotion, CapCut has you covered.

Videos for the the practice of keyframes:

- 1. Video of mother carring her daughter pexels.com
- 2. Rabbits in the bed pexels.com
- 3. Video of a building interior pexels.com

Class Activity: Creating a Mini-Documentary with CapCut

This activity lets students create a short documentary using CapCut, showcasing their creativity and storytelling skills.

Materials:

- Smartphone with CapCut installed
- Photos (10) related to the documentary topic (e.g., historical event, scientific process etc)

Instructions:

1. Import Photos and Add Transitions:

- Open CapCut and tap "New Project."
- Import all 10 photos into the project.
- Tap on a photo and select "Transitions." Choose an appealing transition effect (e.g., Dissolve, Zoom) to connect the photos smoothly.

2. Zoom in with Keyframes:

- Select a group photo where you want to zoom in on a specific person.
- How to use keyframes in Mobil App:
 - Tap the photo and choose "Edit."
 - Drag the white line on the timeline to the point where you want the zoom to start.
 - Tap the "Keyframes" icon (diamond)
 - Drag the white line to the end of the clip and Tap the "Keyframes" icon (diamond)
 - Pinch your fingers on the preview window to zoom in on the desired person to achieve the desired effect

3. Add Subtitles:

- Tap on a photo and select "Text."
- Choose a subtitle style and type a short description or key point related to the photo.
- Adjust the position and duration of the subtitle as needed. Repeat for all photos.

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4. Record Voiceover:

- Tap the Audio and select "Record"
- Record your voiceover narration, following your script and keeping the pace consistent with the photos and transitions.

5. Finalize and Export:

• Add background music (optional) using the "Audio" button.

- o Preview your mini-documentary and make any adjustments.
- Export the finished video by tapping the arrow icon and choosing the desired resolution.

Class Activity: CapCut Feature Tutorial

This activity is designed to help you learn and showcase a cool CapCut feature by creating a short tutorial video.

Materials:

- Smartphones with CapCut App installed
- Short video clips

Steps:

1. Pick a Feature:

- Adding Text & Titles
- Using Text-to-Speech
- Applying Transitions & Effects
- Speed Adjustments (Slow-Mo & Fast-Mo)
- Keyframe Editing
- Adding Stickers & Overlays
- Any other feature
- 2. **Teams:** Form two student teams. Each team will create a tutorial video focusing on a single chosen feature.
- 3. Plan Your Tutorial:
 - **Script:** Each team writes a short script outlining the steps to use their chosen feature. Consider incorporating a mix of subtitles and text-to-speech.
- 4. Filming & Editing:
 - **Filming:** Students can film short video clips showcasing the chosen feature in action.
 - **Editing in CapCut:** Use CapCut to edit your footage.
 - **Subtitles:** Use clear and concise subtitles to explain each step.
 - **Text-to-Speech:** Add Text-to-Speech narration for further explanation.
 - **Keyframes:** Utilize keyframes to highlight specific moments or adjustments.
 - **Title:** Don't forget to add a catchy title using the video title feature!
 - Stickers Enhance your video with Emphasis stickers.

Sample Video

1. **Class Presentations:** Each team presents their tutorial video to the class. Encourage classmates to ask questions and share their own CapCut tips.

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Module 5: Audio & Music

Adding Background Music: Set the mood with royalty-free music or your own tunes.

Sounds: Extract: Isolate voice:

See also:

- Download Free Sound Effects pixabay.com
- Download Sound Effects Educatinal chosic.com

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Record:

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CapCut Al Voiceover Generator

CapCut is a robust text to voice over generator that is making waves in the content creation world, offering an easy way for anyone to add a professional touch to their videos.

Step by Step guide: Text to AI voice over generator

How to Overlay a Video on a Video with CapCut

Step by Step guide: How to Overlay a Video on a Video with CapCut

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