## **Week 1: Introduction and Basic Setup**

- \*\*Day 1: Introduction to WordPress\*\*
- \*\*Objective\*\*: Understand what WordPress is and why it's popular for website design.
- Topics:
  - Overview of WordPress
  - WordPress.com vs. WordPress.org
  - Use cases and benefits
- \*\*Day 2: Setting Up Your Development Environment\*\*
- \*\*Objective\*\*: Get your development environment ready.
- Topics:
  - Choosing a hosting provider and domain name
- Installing WordPress on a local server (using tools like XAMPP, MAMP, or Local by Flywheel)
  - Setting up a live WordPress site (using hosting services like Bluehost, SiteGround)
- \*\*Day 3: WordPress Dashboard Tour\*\*
- \*\*Objective\*\*: Familiarize yourself with the WordPress dashboard and core settings.
- Topics:
  - Dashboard overview
  - Understanding posts, pages, and media
  - Exploring settings and configurations
- \*\*Day 4: Themes and Customization\*\*
- \*\*Objective\*\*: Learn how to install and customize themes.
- Topics:
  - Choosing and installing a theme
  - Customizing themes via the WordPress Customizer
  - Introduction to theme options and settings

- \*\*Day 5: Plugins and Widgets\*\*
- \*\*Objective\*\*: Enhance your site's functionality with plugins and widgets.
- Topics:
  - Finding and installing plugins
  - Essential plugins for beginners
  - Using widgets to add content to sidebars and footers
- \*\*Day 6: Content Creation\*\*
- \*\*Objective\*\*: Create and manage content effectively.
- Topics:
  - Creating and publishing posts and pages
  - Using categories and tags
  - Adding and managing media (images, videos)
- \*\*Day 7: Review and Practice\*\*
- \*\*Objective\*\*: Reinforce the week's learning through practice.
- Activities:
  - Review key concepts and settings
  - Create a sample blog post and page
  - Customize your site's appearance using a theme

## Week 2: Advanced Design and Functionality

- \*\*Day 8: Advanced Theme Customization\*\*
- \*\*Objective\*\*: Dive deeper into theme customization.
- Topics:
  - Using child themes
  - Custom CSS for design tweaks
  - Introduction to page builders (e.g., Elementor, WPBakery)

- \*\*Day 9: Building Custom Layouts\*\*
- \*\*Objective\*\*: Create custom page layouts and templates.
- Topics:
  - Creating custom page templates
  - Using page builder tools to design custom layouts
  - Responsive design principles
- \*\*Day 10: E-Commerce with WooCommerce\*\*
- \*\*Objective\*\*: Set up an online store using WooCommerce.
- Topics:
  - Installing and configuring WooCommerce
  - Adding products and setting up payment gateways
  - Managing orders and inventory
- \*\*Day 11: SEO and Performance Optimization\*\*
- \*\*Objective\*\*: Improve your site's search engine ranking and performance.
- Topics:
  - Introduction to SEO best practices
  - Using SEO plugins (e.g., Yoast SEO, Rank Math)
  - Performance optimization tips (caching, image optimization)
- \*\*Day 12: Security and Backup\*\*
- \*\*Objective\*\*: Learn how to secure and back up your WordPress site.
- Topics:
  - Implementing basic security measures
  - Using security plugins (e.g., Wordfence, Sucuri)
  - Setting up automated backups
- \*\*Day 13: User Management and Permissions\*\*
- \*\*Objective\*\*: Manage users and their permissions effectively.

- Topics:
  - Understanding WordPress user roles and capabilities
  - Adding and managing users
  - Creating user-specific access levels
- \*\*Day 14: Review and Practice\*\*
- \*\*Objective\*\*: Apply advanced skills through hands-on practice.
- Activities:
  - Design a custom page layout
  - Set up a basic e-commerce store
  - Optimize your site for performance and SEO

## Week 3: Finalizing and Launching Your Site

- \*\*Day 15: Content Strategy and Planning\*\*
- \*\*Objective\*\*: Plan and strategize content for your site.
- Topics:
  - Developing a content strategy
  - Creating a content calendar
- Writing effective copy and designing engaging visuals
- \*\*Day 16: Testing and Troubleshooting\*\*
- \*\*Objective\*\*: Ensure your site is functional and free of issues.
- Topics:
  - Testing for cross-browser compatibility
  - Checking for broken links and errors
  - Troubleshooting common issues
- \*\*Day 17: Launch Preparation\*\*
- \*\*Objective\*\*: Prepare your site for launch.

- Topics:
  - Final checklist before launching
  - Migrating from local to live server
  - Setting up Google Analytics and Search Console
- \*\*Day 18: Post-Launch Activities\*\*
- \*\*Objective\*\*: Understand what to do after launching your site.
- Topics:
  - Monitoring site performance and user behavior
  - Ongoing maintenance and updates
  - Strategies for driving traffic and engagement
- \*\*Day 19: Advanced Topics (Optional)\*\*
- \*\*Objective\*\*: Explore more advanced WordPress topics.
- Topics:
  - Custom post types and taxonomies
  - Advanced theme development
  - Introduction to WordPress REST API
- \*\*Day 20: Project Work\*\*
- \*\*Objective\*\*: Apply all the learned skills to a final project.
- Activities:
  - Build a complete WordPress site from scratch
- Implement advanced features and customizations
- \*\*Day 21: Review and Q&A\*\*
- \*\*Objective\*\*: Reflect on the course and address any questions.
- Activities:
  - Review key concepts and techniques
  - Open Q&A session