

The course subreddit as an alternative to paying: <https://www.reddit.com/r/MakeComicsMOOC/>

The story behind the course design: <https://medium.com/@patrickyurick/the-story-behind-the-mooc>



I have to upgrade to do this course?

David Hingley [Part 1 - Course Overview & Finding Your Great Idea](#) · 6 hours ago

Are you really asking me to upgrade to submit a couple of paragraphs for a 4 page comic book?

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Patrick Yurick [Staff](#) · an hour ago

Sorry - what is the question? Do you have to pay for the course? The answer is no:

The course is free to "Audit". To receive a course certificate, which unlocks the Coursera assessment sections of the course, users will have to pay \$49 or they can apply for financial aid. Course certificates ARE NOT necessary for engagement in the course. If a student or teacher would like to submit assignments off of the Coursera platform they can do so by submitting assignments to the [subreddit](#) constructed for the course. All comic creators under the age of 18 are encouraged to check with their parents before joining the subreddit forum area.

This is an excerpt from the [Course Announcement](#).

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DH

David Hingley · an hour ago



so to audit, I can watch the videos but i cant actually submit anything to the assignments?

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Patrick Yurick Staff · an hour ago · Edited



If it doesn't say "Audit" when enrolling it might say something like "Preview" or whatever.

You can still participate in the course without paying.

You can either submit your assignments in the subreddit and get feedback from whomever populates that area, or you can try and apply for financial aid through Coursera to get your certificate fee waived (*if you do, let me know how that goes, I'm honestly curious*). Those are your two options if you want to get the full course experience without paying. Apologies that it is difficult - totally out of my control.

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Suzanne Mitchell · 6 minutes ago



I think the certificate is a great idea. it's a tangible way of showing yourself and others that you have completed this course confidently. I wish to do the certificate course but at this time i cannot. I'll gladly follow along in spirit!! I would like to see others finished projects and i hope someone post on [subreddit](#).

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David Hingley · an hour ago



to clarify . this is what i currently see when trying to access assignments:

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Assignments Passed

	Due	Grade	Passed
Part 1: Course Overview & Finding Your Great Idea			
Assignment: Part 1: Your Comic Idea 30 min	Feb 22	--	--
Review Classmates: Part 1: Your Comic Idea 30 min	Feb 25	--	--
Part 2: Writing Your Comic Script			
Assignment: Part 2: Your Comic Script 30 min	Feb 29	--	--
Review Classmates: Part 2: Your Comic Script 30 min	Mar 3	--	--
Part 3: Thumbnails			
Assignment: Part 3: Thumbnailing Assignment 30 min	Mar 7	--	--
Review Classmates: Part 3: Thumbnailing Assignment 30 min	Mar 10	--	--

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Patrick Yurick Staff · an hour ago



Yes, that is what you are supposed to see unless you paid or you have received financial aid for the payment to unlock assessments in the course. And like I said, you can always just read the assignments, do them, and then submit the locked assignments to the subreddit area for the course:

<https://www.reddit.com/r/MakeComicsMOOC/>

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David Hingley · an hour ago



in which case- there is little to no pint in me enrolling for this course. i will just join the reddit, i'll sign up the EDX comic book course which starts tomorrow and doesnt require you to have to pay to submit work to be assessed. you just dont get a certificate, and its being hosted by stan lee.

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Larissa Elly · 18 minutes ago



Where is the EDX comic book course at?

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Patrick Yurick Staff · 12 minutes ago



No worries! I totally understand. I am happy with your participation in any way that you can give it.

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