

Graphic Designer

What is it?

A Graphic Designer creates visual concepts to communicate ideas that inspire, inform, or captivate consumers. They work on a wide variety of projects, including branding, advertising, websites, packaging, and multimedia content.

Qualifications/Experience Required:

Typically requires a degree in graphic design or a related field (such as art or visual communication). Experience with design software (e.g., Adobe Creative Suite) is essential. A strong portfolio showcasing design work is usually needed.

What the Work Involves:

Working with clients to understand their needs and objectives.
Designing visual elements for websites, branding, marketing materials, and social media.
Collaborating with other creatives, such as copywriters and web developers, to produce high-quality designs.
Managing multiple projects and meeting deadlines.

Future Prospects – Labour Market Information:

Graphic designers can progress to senior roles like art director or creative director or specialize in areas such as UI/UX design or branding. With the growing demand for digital content and online marketing, the graphic design industry has strong prospects. The UK has a steady demand for graphic designers, particularly in tech, advertising, and media industries

Typical weekly hours – 37–40 hours, with some flexibility for freelancers.

Type of person who may be suited to this job:

Creative individuals with a keen eye for design and detail. Strong communication skills to understand client needs. Comfortable with tight deadlines and multitasking. Self-motivated and proactive in learning new design techniques and software.

Money/Wage Guide

- Average annual salary ranges between £20,000 and £45,000 for designers with more experience.

Related Opportunities:

UX/UI Designer
Web Designer
Motion Graphics Designer
Art Director
Illustrator

Further Information:

Creative Skillset – Graphic Design
Prospects – Graphic Designer Career Profile