



## COURSE OUTLINE

### TITLE OF COURSE: A Beginner's Guide to Becoming a DJ

#### **Course Description**

If you love the unique sounds and mixes that DJs create, come learn the fundamentals of this musical art! Gain the core knowledge and skills that you need to become a great DJ, including proper turntable techniques and basic music theory. Learn on vinyl records, creating a foundation you can build on with current or future DJ technology. You'll benefit from the instructor's personal experience of life in the industry and what it takes to succeed.

#### **Participant Outcomes**

Upon successful completion of this course, you will:

- Learn the history of being a DJ and basic music theory
- Have a strong understanding of the mechanics of manipulating music
- Implement proper turntable techniques and set-up
- Have the knowledge and tools to move forward in becoming a DJ

#### **Prerequisites**

N/A

#### **Course Content**

##### **Session 1:**

- Technical set-up (mixer, cord, speakers, needles)
- Turntable set-up
- Introduction to song mixing

##### **Session 2:**

- Review of technical set-up
- Review of song mixing
- Advanced song mixing

##### **Session 3:**

- Advanced song mixing continued.
- Overview of song pitch manipulation on turntable
- Introduction to scratching

##### **Session 4:**

- Introduction to scratching cont.
- 3 basic scratches
- Learn to scratch on time with song

##### **Session 5:**



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- Introduction to beat juggling
- Introduction and explanation of digital DJ software

**Session 6:**

- Digital DJ software continued
- "Jam Session"