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**COURSE GUIDE:**  
**Three-dimensional Animation**  
**MULTIMEDIA AN DIGITAL ARTS DEGREE**

**Universidad Católica de Valencia**

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## COURSE GUIDE TO 3D ANIMATION

|   |  | ECTS |
|---|--|------|
| <b>Subject:</b> Three-dimensional Animation |  | 6    |
| <b>Matter:</b> Three-dimensional Animation  |  | 6    |
| <b>Módulo:</b> Optional subjects            |  | 12   |
| <b>Type of learning<sup>1</sup>:</b> OP     | <b>Year:</b> 4 <sup>o</sup><br><b>Semester:</b> 1 <sup>o</sup> |      |
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<sup>1</sup> Formación básica (materia común), Obligatorias, Optativas, Prácticas externas, Trabajo Fin de Grado.



## SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

| OPTIONAL SUBJECTS  |      |                              |          | <b>Nº ECTS 12</b>   |  |
|--|------|------------------------------|----------|---------------------|--|
| <b>Duration and temporal location within the curriculum:</b> |      |                              |          |                     |  |
| <b>SUBJECTS AND COURSES</b>                                  |      |                              |          |                     |  |
| Subject  | ECTS | COURSES                      | EC<br>TS | course/<br>semestre |  |
| Business initiatives   | 6    | Business initiatives         | 6        | 4/1                 |  |
| Three-dimensional Animation                                  | 6    | Three-dimensional Animation  | 6        | 4/1                 |  |
| Web Programing   | 6    | Web Programing               | 6        | 4/1                 |  |
| Storyboard and Graphic story                                 | 6    | Storyboard and Graphic story | 6        | 4/1                 |  |
| Social action  | 6    | Social action                | 6        | 4/1                 |  |

### TEACHING GUIDE SUBJECT AND / OR COURSE: Three-dimensional Animation

**Prerequisites: None**

#### OBJECTIVES

- Understand the fundamental components of design in three dimensions
- Master the stages of the creative process in three dimensions
- Mastering the modeling, lighting and texturing process of 3D scene
- Master the techniques of composition in 3D
- Mastering the three-dimensional animation process
- Know output processes of three-dimensional image and its different applications depending on the medium to be targeted by the project.



| BASIC COMPETENCES   | Competence measuring scale |   |   |   |
|---|----------------------------|---|---|---|
|   | 1                          | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| CB.1 Students should have an Understanding of knowledge in an area of study that starts from the base of the general Secondary Education, and it is usually found at a level that although is supported by advanced textbooks it also includes some aspects that imply knowledge from the cutting edge of its field of study. |                            |   |   | X |
| CB.2 Students should apply their knowledge to their work or vocation in a professional manner and should have the skills that are usually demonstrated through the elaboration and defense of arguments as well as the problem solving within their area of study.  |                            |   | X |   |
| CB.3 Students should be capable to gather and interpret relevant data (usually within their area of study) in order to evaluate it that after a reflection on its relevant social impact, as well as scientific or ethical issues.  |                            |   |   | X |
| CB.4 Students should have the capacity of communicating information, ideas, problems and solutions to a specialized and non-specialized public.   |                            |   |   | X |
| C.B.5 Students should develop the required learning skills to undertake further studies with a high degree of autonomy.   |                            |   | X |   |

| GENERAL COMPETENCES | Competence measuring scale |   |   |   |
|---------------------|----------------------------|---|---|---|
|                     | 1                          | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|                     |                            |   |   |   |



|    |   |  |   |   |   |
|----|---|--|---|---|---|
| 01 | Capacity for analysis and synthesis   |  |   | x |   |
| 02 | Capacity to organize and plan   |  |   | x |   |
| 05 | Computer Skills for the scope of study  |  |   |   | x |
| 06 | Capacity to manage information. Researching from books and magazines, and other documentation |  | x |   |   |
| 07 | Troubleshooting   |  |   |   | x |
| 15 | Ethical commitment  |  |   |   | x |
| 16 | Capacity to take responsibilities   |  |   | x |   |
| 17 | Capacity for self-criticism   |  |   |   | x |
| 18 | Autonomous learning and motivation for learning throughout their working lives                |  |   |   | x |
| 19 | Adjustment to new situations  |  |   |   | x |
| 20 | Creativity. Capacity to generate new ideas  |  |   |   | x |
| 24 | initiative and entrepreneurship   |  |   |   | x |
| 25 | Concern (motivation) for quality  |  |   |   | x |
| 28 | Sensitivity to cultural heritage  |  |   | x |   |



| SPECIFIC COMPETENCES |   |   |   |   |   |
|----------------------|---|---|---|---|---|
|                      |   | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| E2                   | Artistic sensitivity. To be able to develop the ability to appreciate beauty in different forms and artistic creations, applying aesthetic principles and fostering creativity as well as multidisciplinary innovation. |   |   |   | x |
| E3                   | Knowledge of specific methods of production and especially digital art techniques to apply to the world of communication, in addition to looking for new media.   |   |   |   | x |
| E8                   | Capacity to organize and process information that later will be included in the project.  |   |   | x |   |
| E9                   | Capacity to plan, manage and develop projects of technological content, in particular relating to art, multimedia design and communication.   |   | x |   |   |
| E10                  | Capacity to translate creative ideas so that it is possible to transmit them in digital format.   |   |   | x |   |
| E12                  | Sensitivity to evaluate the importance of design for spreading messages and the impact of transmitting them in different communication areas  |   |   | x |   |
| E13                  | Capacity to contribute to the contemporary debate about the arts and digital media practices.   |   | x |   |   |



| LEARNING OUTCOMES <sup>2</sup>   | COMPETENCES  |
|--|--|
| 1- Knowledge of the three-dimensional animation phases and components  | CB: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5<br>CG:5, 7, 17, 18, 19, 22, 25, 32,<br>E3, E10, E13, E19,                              |
| 2-Master the three-dimensional animation techniques  | CB: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5<br>CG:1, 2, 5, 7, 9, 15, 16, 17, 18,19, 20, 22, 24, 25,                                |
| 3-Meet output processes of three-dimensional image and its different applications depending on the medium to be targeted by the project. | CB: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5<br>CG:1, 2, 5, 7, 9, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 24, 25, 27, 32, E3, E4, E10, E18, E19 |

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| <b>CLASSROOM WORK TRAINING ACTIVITIES</b> |  |  |                         |
|---|--|--|-------------------------|
| <b>ACTIVITY</b>                           | <b>Teaching-Learning Methodology</b>   | <b>Relationship With Learning Outcomes for the subject</b> | <b>ECTS<sup>3</sup></b> |
| ON-CAMPUS CLASS                           | Teacher presentation of contents, analysis of competences, explanation and in-class display of skills, abilities and knowledge.  | R1, R2, R3   | 1                       |
| PRACTICAL CLASSES                         | Group work sessions supervised by the professor. Case studies, diagnostic tests, problems, field work, computer room, visits, data search, libraries, on-line, Internet, etc. Meaningful construction of knowledge through interaction and student activity. | R1, R2, R3   | 1                       |
| LABORATORY                                | Activities in spaces with special equipment.   |  | 0                       |
| SEMINAR                                   | Supervised monographic sessions with shared participation  |  | 0                       |
| WORK GROUP EXHIBITION                     | Application of interdisciplinary knowledge   |  | 0                       |
| TUTORING                                  | Custom and small group attention. Period of instruction and / or guidance by a tutor to review and discuss the materials and topics presented in the classes, seminars, lectures, readings, realization of assignments, etc.                                 | R1, R2, R3   | 0,25                    |
| EVALUATION                                | Set of oral and / or written used in initial, formative or summative evaluation of the student.  | R1, R2, R3   | 0,15                    |
| <b>Total</b>                              |  |  | <b>(2,4*)</b>           |

<sup>3</sup> The subject and / or material is organized in training PHYSICAL WORKING training activities and self study, students, with an estimated in ECTS. Proper distribution is as follows: 35-40% for Classroom Training Activities and 65-60% for freelance work. (For a course of 6 ECTS: 2.4 and 3.6 respectively).

The teaching-learning methodology described in this guide in a generic way, shape in the teaching units in which the course is organized and / or matter



| <b>INDEPENDENT WORK ACTIVITIES</b>   |   |  |             |
|--|---|--|-------------|
| <b>ACTIVITY</b>  | <b>Teaching-Learning Methodology</b>  | <b>Relationship of Course with Learning Outcomes</b> | <b>ECTS</b> |
| GROUP WORK   | Group preparation of readings, essays, problem solving, seminars, papers, reports, etc. to be presented or submitted in theoretical lectures, practical and/or small-group tutoring sessions.<br>(www.plataforma.ucv.es)                                      |  | 0           |
| INDEPENDENT WORK   | Student study: Individual preparation of readings, essays, problem solving, seminars, papers, reports, etc.. to post or deliver the lectures, practical and / or small group tutoring. Work done on the platform of the university<br>(www.plataforma.ucv.es) | R1, R2, R3, R4, R5                                   | 3,6         |
| Total  |   |  | (3,6*)      |
| <b>SYSTEM FOR ASSESSING THE ACQUISITION OF THE COMPETENCES AND ASSESSMENT SYSTEM</b> |   |  |             |
| <b>Assessment Tool<sup>4</sup></b>   | <b>LEARNING OUTCOMES ASSESSED</b>   | <b>Allocated Percentage</b>                          |             |
| Conducting theoretical and practical activities                                      | ALL   | 50%  |             |
| Attendance to practice sessions  | ALL   | 10%  |             |
| Final Exam   | ALL   | 40%  |             |

You will have to take the exam in 1st and 2nd call at least half are approved to do with practical notes and assistance.

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The grades for practical assistance in the first round will be saved for the exam of second call for averaging with this if not exceed the first review.

Works presented out of term will not be admitted.

According to the assessment policy of the UCV it is established by article 8 that any student who has a lower subject attendance of the 50% will not be able to take the first exam call. It will be considered as class absence the justified and unjustified ones.

Those students that have informed the professor in advance about their personal situation and it is considered by the professor a justified absence due to working reasons, overlapping subjects, serious illness, second exam calls, etc. will be excluded of this rule and will have the express permission of the professor to take the first call exam. To be excluded from the above mentioned rule it is absolutely indispensable to inform the professor at the beginning of the semestre and to accept the assessment process that the professor establishes and considers more appropriate for every special case. Under no circumstances the student can appeal these situations to break the rule at the end of the semestre.

Furthermore the professor can establish as absence the repeated delayed attendance, the lack of attention in class as well as the forbidden use of mobile phones, the lack of participation in class, etc. All the previously mentioned reasons can be considered as breaking the rule and therefore taken into account in order not to be allowed to take the first call exam and to penalize the established percentage on class participation and attendance.

The above mentioned rule affects both the assessment percentage on class attendance and class participation as well as the evaluation of class projects and case studies that have their own assessment percentage which are all included and explained in the present course guide.

The use of artificial intelligence for digital practices will always be carried out in consultation with the teacher, who will indicate what can be worked on and carried out with this technology.

Its use, if permitted, will be described in the statement of the practical or set by the teacher in class.

Under no circumstances may work carried out entirely with this technique be presented, nor may any practice be presented without prior consultation with the teacher. If this occurs, it will be considered a very serious misconduct and all the practicals of the course will be suspended.

#### **MENTION OF DISTINCTION:**



The mention of Distinction will be awarded to students who have achieved a score equal to or greater than 9.0. The number of Distinctions granted will not exceed 5% of students enrolled in a subject in the corresponding academic year unless enrollment is under 20, in which case only one Distinction may be granted. (Royal Decree 1125/2003).



| DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS  |
|--|
| 1. Introducion to 3D Animation   |
| 2. Fundamentals of traditional animation from Disney to 3D                       |
| 3. Timeline and components   |
| 4. Definition, implementation and modification of keyframes.                     |
| 5. Basic animation by translation, scaling and rotation.                         |
| 6. Animating parameters and attributes.  |
| 7. Concept of acceleration and braking : "F" curves                              |
| 8. Deformers and particle systems. Applying filters and effects.                 |
| 9. Preparation animation for output to different media: web, movies, television. |
| 10. Animation rendering and postproduction.                                      |



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| <b>LEARNING TEMPORAL ORGANIZATION</b> |   |                 |
|---------------------------------------|---|-----------------|
|                                       | <b>CONTENT/TEACHING UNIT</b>  | <b>SESSIONS</b> |
| <b>1</b>                              | Introduction to 3D Animation  | <b>1</b>        |
| <b>2</b>                              | Fundamentals of traditional animation from Disney to 3D.                      | <b>2</b>        |
| <b>3</b>                              | Time line and components  | <b>2</b>        |
| <b>4</b>                              | Definition, implementation and modification of keyframes.                     | <b>3</b>        |
| <b>5</b>                              | Basic animation by translation, scaling and rotation.                         | <b>6</b>        |
| <b>6</b>                              | Animation parameters and attributes.  | <b>5</b>        |
| <b>7</b>                              | Acceleration and braking concept: "F" curves.                                 | <b>3</b>        |
| <b>8</b>                              | Deformers and particle systems. Applying filters and effects.                 | <b>2</b>        |
| <b>9</b>                              | Preparation animation for output to different media: web, movies, television. | <b>2</b>        |
| <b>10</b>                             | Animation rendering and postproduction  | <b>4</b>        |

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**



### WORK PLANNING FOR SECOND AND FURTHER ENROLLMENTS:

There will be a special group for those students who have not registered for the first time, and a teacher responsible of this group. This teacher has to schedule six two-hour sessions for monitoring and mentoring. In each session the subject will be developed so as to reinforce the work of the skills that each student needs to pass the course. The assessment contained in the examination will be established in the official calendar of this subject. These sessions are available on the specific schedule. The blocks of content and tasks to be performed in each session are as follows:

| <b>SECOND AND SUBSEQUENT ENROLLMENTS DIDACTIC UNITS</b> |   |                           |
|---|---|---------------------------|
|   | <b>LESSON</b>   | <b>NUMBER OF SESSIONS</b> |
| <b>1</b>  | Introduction to 3D Animation  | <b>0,2</b>                |
| <b>2</b>  | Fundamentals of traditional animation from Disney to 3D.                      | <b>0,4</b>                |
| <b>3</b>  | Time line and components  | <b>0,4</b>                |
| <b>4</b>  | Definition, implementation and modification of keyframes.                     | <b>0,2</b>                |
| <b>5</b>  | Basic animation by translation, scaling and rotation.                         | <b>0,5</b>                |
| <b>6</b>  | Animation parameters and attributes.  | <b>1</b>                  |
| <b>7</b>  | Acceleration and braking concept: "F" curves.                                 | <b>0,2</b>                |
| <b>8</b>  | Deformers and particle systems. Applying filters and effects.                 | <b>0,4</b>                |
| <b>9</b>  | Preparation animation for output to different media: web, movies, television. | <b>0,3</b>                |
| <b>10</b>   | Animation rendering and postproduction  | <b>0,3</b>                |