

Media and Photography

Access to Higher Education: Creative Digital Skills (TV, Film and Games) Level 3 Full-time

In Brief

Start Date / Duration

This course starts again in September and runs for one year, you will study on Wednesdays mornings, Thursday mornings and all day Friday.

Entry Requirements

- You will need to be 19 when the courses commences in September
- Entry to the course is by interview. We take a strong interest in previous experience and would love to see or hear recent written work, computer-based or online materials
- Level 2 English is desirable

You will achieve

Access to Higher Education Diploma Level 3 Creative Digital Skills (Tv, Film and Games Design)

Course Overview

The Access to Higher Education in Creative Digital Skills (Film, TV and Games) is designed to meet the needs of those who wish to pursue entrance onto a degree in Games Design, Digital Skills or Film and TV. In particular, the course is designed for students who may be approaching entrance to higher education from non-traditional routes without previously fulfilling their academic potential. The course has a practical and vocational ethos underpinned by a theoretical and academic foundation that will ensure a smoother route into the world of higher education.

The main aims of the programme are to:

- Develop to a high level of proficiency the skills, techniques, intellectual understanding, practical skills, digital, generic and personal skills, techniques, intellectual understanding, practical skills, required for study at undergraduate level
- Develop to a high level a broad range of skill-based experiences required for the study of games design at undergraduate level

Course Content

You will spend two days per week at the Church Street campus, which is part of Barnsley College's

Higher Education. You will have access to all the facilities including our well-equipped TV studio, recording studio, computer rooms, equipment store and library. The course content has been designed to prepare you for progression onto a Games Design, Digital Skills or Film and TV degree. Within the access course you will develop skills in relation to academic study as well as the practical and creative skills needed to launch your professional journey.

As part of your course you will study the following units:

Ungraded:

HE Study Skills (Level 3, 9 credits)

Organisation and Evaluation of Study (Level 3, 6 credits)

Graded:

All level 3 and concerned with academic subject content:

Digital concepts and skills (Level 3, 3 credits)

Graphic Design – Creative Imaging (Level 3, 3 credits)

Web Design and Production (Level 3, 9 credits)

Marketing (Level 3, 6 credits)

Creative Writing (Level 3, 3 credits)

Digital portfolio creation (Level 3, 9 credits)

Optional units:

Computer Game Engines (Level 3, 6 credits)

3D modelling for games (Level 3, 6 credits)

Video Production (Level 3, 9 credits)

Cinematography (Level 3, 3 credits)

How will I be assessed?

Assessment is coursework-led so will be project-based throughout the year. Where possible, a variety of assessment methods will be used which includes both written and practical approaches to assignments.

What Equipment Will I Need?

You will need your own stationery including pens, paper and manuscript paper. You will also need to bring a USB stick or hard drive for the storage of work.

Where will I study?

Church Street Campus

Church Street

Barnsley

S70 2AN

What can I do next?

Progression onto the BA (Hons) in Games Design, Film and Tv or Digital Skills is available for students gaining a Merit or higher on their Access to HE programme.

How much does the course cost?

Course fees: £3,022

Extra information

Advanced Learner Loans

This course may be eligible for an Advanced Learner Loan. Contact our friendly Information Team on +44 (0)1226 216 123 or email info@barnsley.ac.uk [mailto:info@barnsley.ac.uk] . about eligibility and how to apply. You can also visit the Advanced Learner Loan [<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/courses/paying-for-your-course/advanced-learner-loans/>] page.

Advanced Learner Loans: Access to Higher Education (HE) courses

If you're undertaking an Access to Higher Education (HE) course and then go on to complete an HE qualification, the outstanding balance of your Advanced Learner Loan will be written off, once you have fully completed both courses, without taking any gap years.

Contact the Information Unit

For further information please contact our friendly Information Team on +44 (0)1226 216 123 or email info@barnsley.ac.uk [mailto:info@barnsley.ac.uk]

Want to join Barnsley Sports Academy and the Sports Village?

Barnsley College has a range of sports opportunities for all students to take part in, gain professional training and compete nationally and internationally. We also have a state-of-the-art fitness village, Honeywell Sports Village [<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/shops-services/honeywell-sports-village/>] where students can make use of our fitness suite, spinning studio and classes for competitive rates. You don't have to be studying sport to get involved in the Sports Academy [<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/our-departments/sport/sports-academy/>] .

Additional Learning Support

Our Additional Learning Support team can provide you with the support you need. Please contact them on +44 (0)1226 216 769.

Disclaimer

Please note we reserve the right to change details without notice. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

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