

Module Details	
Module Title	Simulation Effects for Animation and Games
Module Code	GAV6012-B
Academic Year	2021/2
Credits	20
School	Department of Media Design and Technology
FHEQ Level	FHEQ Level 6

Contact Hours	
Type	Hours
Laboratories	12
Lectures	16
Tutorials	12
Directed Study	160

Availability	
Occurrence	Location / Period
BDA	University of Bradford / Semester 2

Module Aims
To give students a clear understanding of how to combine scientific, logical thinking and observational skill to create effective simulation and effects solutions for animation and computer games; instil a work practice around goal orientated iteration and adherence to efficient workflow; To introduce advanced topics and concepts in the field of modelling and simulation, simulation effects for animation and computer games and make students aware of the appropriate use of simulation and effects, taking into account complexity, rendering, time, memory and resource overheads; To gain an in-depth understanding of the real-time 3D modelling and animation.

Outline Syllabus
Understanding Simulation effects topics and concepts for animation and computer games; The theory and practice of Effect Technical Animation and visual effects; making particle systems, rigid body dynamics, fluid, object move under the forces of physics with using expressions; variables and data, nodes, procedures and functions, and interface development.

Learning Outcomes	
Outcome Number	Description
01	Demonstrate an in-depth understanding of and critically evaluate the process of simulation effects and technical animation concepts and implementations with respect to commercial 3D graphics packages, and the knowledge of scripting animations and or the use of effects software in advanced level.
02	Demonstrate practical effects solutions to real problems; Demonstrate a combination of different kinds of simulation, applied appropriately; Demonstrate a library of reference work and observations and how they have informed and progressed their development.
03	Demonstrate self-management skills, ability to solve technical problems and to be able to complete their individual project within the prescribed timescale.

Learning, Teaching and Assessment Strategy
This module covers the advanced topics and concepts of Technical Effects Animation. Lectures and demos introduce the relevant theory and key concepts followed by lab sessions which provide hands-on lab experience. Students will create an individual effects technical animation project of their own ideas, which reinforce students' learning and develop their practical skills. This with lab work assessment accompanied by a report tests the module's learning outcomes.

Mode of Assessment			
Type	Method	Description	Weighting
Summative	Coursework	Technical effects animation coursework project and lab work tasks assessments	65%
Summative	Dissertation or Project Report	Final Project report min 1500 words (1500 ~2000 words).	35%
Formative	Presentation	Feedback on project proposal (up to 6 slides)	N/A

Reading List
To access the reading list for this module, please visit https://bradford.rl.talis.com/index.html

Please note:

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