



# Animation FdA

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## **FdA Animation**

### **What will I learn?**

As well as building traditional creative skills such as drawing, character design and concept origination, you will have the opportunity to achieve proficiency in a range of digital applications including Flash, Photoshop, Final Cut, Premiere, After Effects and Maya. Following this broad based creative and technical grounding, you will be able to specialise in any of the following areas for your final project: 2D animation; 3D modelling and animation; stop-motion; digital compositing and special effects.

Throughout the programme you will develop your academic skills through the critical analysis of animated films, and it is also seen as essential for you to gain an awareness of the industry itself. The College is situated within 15 miles of central London where the largest number of animation and media companies in the UK have their premises. This proximity enables you to build meaningful industry links and enables staff to organise regular visits to animation companies, exhibitions, screenings and festivals.

Working as an animator requires a mixture of effective group communication skills and the ability to exhibit sustained individual concentration. Over the two years of the programme you will be required to work on some group projects, but there are also extensive opportunities for you to develop independent work and to respond to live client briefs.

### **What qualifications do I need to qualify for this course?**

The key to a place on this course is to demonstrate your creativity and we can evaluate that through your portfolio. We welcome applications from mature students who may have relevant experience through work or leisure time interests.

If you are a school leaver we look for 120 UCAS points (which is equivalent to 2 A2 Levels at D or PPP on a BTEC National Diploma), however, we are not too concerned about your subjects as long as you can demonstrate your creativity.

Mature students are also considered.

### **What can I do after this course?**

On successful completion of the Foundation Degree you may be able to proceed directly into the top-up third year BA (Hons) in Animation at Barking & Dagenham College. Alternatively, the nationally recognised Foundation Degree qualification could enable you to progress onto a range of degree programmes at other institutions. You will also have produced a portfolio of work that along with valuable skills and experience, will help you to pursue a career within your chosen field.

## **Animation Foundation Degree**

**UCAS Code 4L58**

