

Course Syllabus

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ART 217: Introduction to Animation!

Course and Faculty Information

Course Description: Prepares students for the exciting world of digital animation. Looks back at animation through history and how it has developed into what we understand today. Looks at history, theory, principles, practices and animation techniques. Expands the student's current knowledge of 3D digital animation and how it has changed and affected society through time. Students use learned techniques to create art in animation.

Credits: 3

Prerequisites: Software Install required (Install Instructions will be provided at a later date) - Maya from Autodesk.

Instructor: Tim Garner

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Office: TBD

Office Hours: Digital Office Available every Friday afternoon from 1-4pm.

Course Learning Outcomes

The purpose of this course is to prepare students for the exciting world of 3D digital animation. To understand that, we must first take a look back at animation through history and how it has developed into what we understand today as animation. This course will look at history, theory, principles, practices, and animation techniques. It will expand the student's current knowledge of 3D digital animation and how it has changed and affected society through time.

Textbooks

- **Required: The Complete Animation Course: The Principles, Practice, and Techniques of Successful Animation – Chris Patmore** (<http://www.amazon.com/The-Complete-Animation-Course-Principles/dp/B0068EVT8E>)
 - Also Available At: **The Complete Animation Course: The Principles, Practice, and Techniques of Successful Animation - Chris Patmore** (<http://www.barnesandnoble.com/w/the-complete-animation-course-chris-patmore/1114228480?ean=9780764123993>)
- **Optional: Digital Currents: Art in the Electronic Age – Margot Lovejoy**
(http://www.amazon.com/Digital-Currents-Art-Electronic-Age/dp/0415307813/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1406135821&sr=8-1&keywords=digital+currents+art+in+the+electronic+age)

Course Access

Your ASU courses can be accessed by both my.asu.edu  (<http://my.asu.edu>) and myasucourses.asu.edu  (<http://myasucourses.asu.edu>); bookmark both in the event that one site is down.

Computer Requirements

This is a fully online course; therefore, it requires a computer with internet access and the following technologies:

- Web browsers (**Chrome**  (<https://www.google.com/chrome/>), **Mozilla Firefox**  (<http://www.mozilla.org/en-US/firefox/new/>), or **Safari**  (<http://www.apple.com/safari/>))
- **Adobe Acrobat Reader**  (<http://get.adobe.com/reader/>) (free)
- **Adobe Flash Player**  (<http://get.adobe.com/flashplayer/>) (free)
- Webcam, microphone, headset/earbuds, and speaker
- Microsoft Office (**Microsoft 365 is free**  (<https://myapps.asu.edu/app/microsoft-office-2016-home-usage>) for all currently-enrolled ASU students)
- Reliable broadband internet connection (DSL or cable) to stream videos.

Note: A smartphone, iPad, Chromebook, etc. will not be sufficient for completing your work in ASU Online courses. While you will be able to access course content with mobile devices, you must use a computer for all assignments, quizzes, and virtual labs.

Help

For technical support, use the Help icon in the black global navigation menu in your Canvas course or call the ASU Help Desk at +1-(855) 278-5080. Representatives are available to assist you 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Student Success

To be successful:

- check the course daily
- read announcements
- read and respond to course email messages as needed
- complete assignments by the due dates specified
- communicate regularly with your instructor and peers
- create a study and/or assignment schedule to stay on track
- access [ASU Online Student Resources](http://goto.asuonline.asu.edu/success/online-resources.html)  (<http://goto.asuonline.asu.edu/success/online-resources.html>)

Grading

Your grade will be determined based on the following grading schema:

Grade	Percentage	Points Range
A+	100% - 97%	339 - 350
A	<97-94%	329 - 338
A-	<94-90%	315 - 328
B+	<90-87%	304 - 314
B	<87-84%	294 - 303
B-	<84-80%	280 - 293
C+	<80-77%	269 - 279
C	<77-70%	245 - 268
D	<70-60%	210 - 244
E	<60%	209

Submitting Assignments

All assignments, unless otherwise announced, MUST be submitted to the designated area of Canvas. Do not submit an assignment via email.

Assignment due dates follow Arizona Standard time. Click the following link to access the [Time](#)

Converter  [\(http://www.thetimezoneconverter.com/\)](http://www.thetimezoneconverter.com/) to ensure you account for the difference in Time Zones. Note: Arizona does not observe daylight savings time.

Grading Procedure

Grades reflect your performance on assignments and adherence to deadlines. Graded assignments will be available routinely on the Friday after the Course Due Date.

Late or Missed Assignments

Notify the instructor **BEFORE** an assignment is due if an urgent situation arises and you are unable to submit the assignment on time.

Follow the appropriate University policies to request an [accommodation for religious practices](http://www.asu.edu/aad/manuals/acd/acd304-04.html)  [\(http://www.asu.edu/aad/manuals/acd/acd304-04.html\)](http://www.asu.edu/aad/manuals/acd/acd304-04.html) or to accommodate a missed assignment [due to University-sanctioned activities](http://www.asu.edu/aad/manuals/acd/acd304-02.html)  [\(http://www.asu.edu/aad/manuals/acd/acd304-02.html\)](http://www.asu.edu/aad/manuals/acd/acd304-02.html).

Communicating With the Instructor

Community Forum

This course uses a discussion topic called "Community Forum" for general questions and comments about the course. Prior to posting a question or comment, check the syllabus, announcements, and existing posts to ensure it's not redundant. You are encouraged to respond to the questions of your classmates.

Email questions of a personal nature to your instructor. You can expect a response within 48 hours.

Chat

The Chat tool in Canvas allows students and teachers to interact in real time. Use Chat only for informal course-related conversations unless your instructor informs you otherwise. Chat is not ideal for questions about assignments; instructors are not required to monitor it and conversations may be buried or lost.

Email

ASU email is an [official means of communication](http://www.asu.edu/aad/manuals/ssm/ssm107-03.html)  [\(http://www.asu.edu/aad/manuals/ssm/ssm107-03.html\)](http://www.asu.edu/aad/manuals/ssm/ssm107-03.html) among students, faculty, and staff. Students are expected to read and act upon email in a timely fashion. Students bear the responsibility of missed messages and should check their ASU-assigned email regularly.

All instructor correspondence will be sent to your ASU email account.

ASU Online Course Policies

View the [ASU Online Course Policies](https://asuonline-dev.asu.edu/qm-template/CanvasQM/qm-policies.html)  (<https://asuonline-dev.asu.edu/qm-template/CanvasQM/qm-policies.html>)

Accessibility Statements

View the [ASU Online Student Accessibility](https://asuonline-dev.asu.edu/qm-template/CanvasQM/qm-accessibility.html)  (<https://asuonline-dev.asu.edu/qm-template/CanvasQM/qm-accessibility.html>) page to review accessibility statements for common tools and resources used in ASU Online courses.

If any other tools are used in this course, links to the accessibility statements will be listed below this sentence.

Syllabus Disclaimer

The syllabus is a statement of intent and serves as an implicit agreement between the instructor and the student. Every effort will be made to avoid changing the course schedule but the possibility exists that unforeseen events will make syllabus changes necessary. Remember to check your ASU email and the course site often.

Course Summary:

Date	Details	Due
Mon Mar 13, 2023	 Class Starts https://asu.instructure.com/calendar?event_id=952792&include_contexts=course_150022	12am to 11:59pm
	 Module 0 Forum: About you https://asu.instructure.com/courses/150022/assignments/4028415	due by 11:59pm
Thu Mar 16, 2023	 Module 0: Academic Integrity Agreement https://asu.instructure.com/courses/150022/assignments/4028402	due by 11:59pm
	 Module 0: Syllabus Quiz https://asu.instructure.com/courses/150022/assignments/4028403	due by 11:59pm

Date	Details	Due
Sun Mar 19, 2023	 <u>Module 1 Forum: Introduction to Animation</u> https://asu.instructure.com/courses/150022/assignments/4028414	due by 11:59pm
	 <u>Module 1: Art Assignment: Phenakistoscope</u> https://asu.instructure.com/courses/150022/assignments/4028416	due by 11:59pm
	 <u>Module 1: Quiz</u> https://asu.instructure.com/courses/150022/assignments/4028407	due by 11:59pm
Sun Mar 26, 2023	 <u>Module 2 Forum: Principles of Animation</u> https://asu.instructure.com/courses/150022/assignments/4028413	due by 11:59pm
	 <u>Module 2: Art Assignment: One page write-up</u> https://asu.instructure.com/courses/150022/assignments/4028417	due by 11:59pm
	 <u>Module 2: Quiz</u> https://asu.instructure.com/courses/150022/assignments/4028399	due by 11:59pm
Sun Apr 2, 2023	 <u>Module 3 Forum: Personality</u> https://asu.instructure.com/courses/150022/assignments/4028412	due by 11:59pm
	 <u>Module 3: Create a Character Assignment</u> https://asu.instructure.com/courses/150022/assignments/4028418	due by 11:59pm
	 <u>Module 3: Quiz</u> https://asu.instructure.com/courses/150022/assignments/4028405	due by 11:59pm

Date	Details	Due
Sun Apr 9, 2023	 Module 4 Forum: Methods https://asu.instructure.com/courses/150022/assignments/4028411	due by 11:59pm
	 Module 4: Maya Screenshot Assignment https://asu.instructure.com/courses/150022/assignments/4028419	due by 11:59pm
	 Module 4: Quiz https://asu.instructure.com/courses/150022/assignments/4028400	due by 11:59pm
Sun Apr 16, 2023	 Module 5 Forum: Story Telling https://asu.instructure.com/courses/150022/assignments/4028410	due by 11:59pm
	 Module 5: Quiz https://asu.instructure.com/courses/150022/assignments/4028404	due by 11:59pm
	 Module 5: Storyboard Assignment https://asu.instructure.com/courses/150022/assignments/4028420	due by 11:59pm
Sun Apr 23, 2023	 Module 6 Forum: Technology https://asu.instructure.com/courses/150022/assignments/4028409	due by 11:59pm
	 Module 6: Animation Study Assignment https://asu.instructure.com/courses/150022/assignments/4028421	due by 11:59pm
	 Module 6: Quiz https://asu.instructure.com/courses/150022/assignments/4028401	due by 11:59pm

Date	Details	Due
Tue May 2, 2023	 <u>Finals Due</u> (https://asu.instructure.com/calendar?event_id=952791&include_contexts=course_150022)	7am
	 <u>Module 7 Forum: Conclusions</u> (https://asu.instructure.com/courses/150022/assignments/4028408)	due by 11:59pm
	 <u>Module 7: Final Exam Part 1</u> (https://asu.instructure.com/courses/150022/assignments/4028406)	due by 11:59pm
	 <u>Module 7: Final Exam Part 2</u> (https://asu.instructure.com/courses/150022/assignments/4028422)	due by 11:59pm