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BA (Hons) ANIMATION

SCHOOL OF ART AND DESIGN

Induction & Enrolment Information

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Welcome to BA (Hons) Animation

Croeso Animators! We are very much looking forward to welcoming you on to the BA Animation course at Cardiff School of Art and Design.

It's an exciting time. An important year for us all. There will be plenty of creative opportunities and challenges, new friendships and collaborations. Together we'll explore of what it means to be an Animator today.

I recommend you read the summer brief carefully so you can be well prepared and get the best possible start to the course. If you have any questions you can email me via ostickler@cardiffmet.ac.uk.

See you in September!

Owen Stickler

Programme Director: BA (Hons) Animation

Pre-arrival Information and Summer Task

Visual Research.

During your three years on the BA Animation course at CSAD you will be asked to keep a learning journal. The purpose of the journal is to demonstrate your research and critical, reflective grasp of your developing skills and interests.

In preparation for this, your summer task is to make a visual collection, a mood board if you like, that reflects you and your experiences over the summer. Take photographs and make drawings as regularly as possible – ideally every day. You can include found images from magazines or postcards and the collection could include links to interesting animations, images from films and music and references to books or articles that you have read. Use your instinct to collect and document things that you find interesting and relate to your own sense of creativity.

Presentation.

The second part of the task is to cohere this information in to a 5 minute PDF or Power Point presentation of 10 slides. Use the presentation to talk about where you came across the image or clip or made the drawing what you found interesting about it at the time and what it means to you now. The presentation will serve as a great way of introducing yourself to the staff and your new peers on the animation course.

Other things to look at include:

- **Vimeo animation zone** - A great place to see the variety of subject and diversity of techniques being used in contemporary animation:
<https://vimeo.com/categories/animation>
- **Skwigly** Online Animation Magazine: <http://www.skwigly.co.uk/>
- **Showmetheanimation**. Online showcase for animation shorts:
<http://showmetheanimation.com/>
- **Collosal** Art Design and Visual Culture online magazine
[:http://www.thisiscolossal.com/](http://www.thisiscolossal.com/)

Suggested Summer Reading

- Scott McCloud. Understanding Comics
- John Berger. Ways of Seeing
- Paul Wells. The Fundamentals of Animation

Pre-arrival Information and Summer Task (*cont.*)

Animation Materials

A certain amount of materials and art supplies will be provided but we do recommend that you also bring a basic supply of your own preferred drawing and painting tools.

High end workstations and cameras will be supplied, and some students do choose to invest in some equipment of their own, but we also recommend downloading free animation/stop motion animation applications to your mobile devices.

We recommend Aardman's Animate it! App (available on Itunes and in the Play Store) but other applications are available and if you find one you prefer then by all means use that.

Throughout the next three years you are required to manage your own data, program files, word documents, edits, renders etc. The best way to do this is to invest in a portable hard drive and we would recommend that the drive has at least a terabyte of storage. We use a range of Mac and PC workstations so it's also advisable that the drive be dual formatted for both.

Places of Interest in Cardiff

- [Chapter](#)

Chapter is an ambitious, multi-art form cultural space based in Cardiff, Wales that presents and produces international art, performance and film alongside a dynamic social space. Chapter is home to an independent cinema and a cafe/bar that is very popular with Cardiff's art and design community.
- [National Museum Cardiff](#)

National Museum Cardiff (Amgueddfa Genedlaethol Caerdydd) is a museum and art gallery in Cardiff. Entry is free.
- [G39](#)

G39 is an artist-run gallery in the centre of Cardiff, Wales' capital city. The organisation recently relocated from a narrow three storey building where it originated, to an expansive warehouse. Here you can see a wide-ranging programme from major exhibitions and formal symposia to experimental projects and intimate events. In addition to the gallery programme. The organisation also runs Wales Artist Resource Programme – WARP - an open-access resource and training space for artists.
- [Craft in the Bay](#)

Located opposite the Wales Millennium Centre, Craft in the Bay is an exhibition space for applied arts and crafts. It is operated by a charitable arts organisation, The Makers Guild in Wales.
- [Arcade Cardiff](#)

Arcade Cardiff is a not for profit, artist led Community Interest Company established in 2011. They have a gallery / project space located in the Queens Arcade Shopping centre, right in the heart of Cardiff which provides a place for upcoming and established artists to experiment, test out ideas or show new work and get feedback as part of an ongoing idea or project. They also manage a set of artist studios.
- [Tramshed](#)

Tramshed is a music and arts venue in Cardiff, Wales, located in a Grade II-listed building that was once the old tram depot for west Cardiff.
- [Wales Millenium Centre](#)

Wales Millennium Centre is Wales' home for the performing arts situated at the heart of Cardiff Bay and is one of the UK's top cultural attractions. The Centre provides an extensive programme of world class entertainment, showcases Welsh creativity and talents, partners with international artistic companies, and offers creative learning and community engagement opportunities aimed at increasing accessibility to art and culture.

Meet the Team

OWEN STICKLER



Owen is the Programme Director for Animation at Cardiff School of Art & Design.

Having begun my artistic career in an art college, painting, printing and filmmaking, I spent 25 years as an animator, director and producer of TV series, shorts adverts and titles. My experience spans from making tea to running an Animation Company and all points in between. What really excites me now is exploring the potential for animation in an Art School. What can we do next to squash stretch and explode the medium of animation?

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TOM EDGAR



I am a Stop Frame animator and director interested in new and innovate ways of storytelling and pushing the boundaries of film language.

I have worked on children's series including "Rastamouse", "Hana's Helpline", "Postman Pat" and "Fireman Sam", commercials for "Guardians of the Galaxy", "Transformers", "John Lewis" and "JD Sports" and also movies such as "Fantastic Mr Fox", "Flatworld" and "The Fabulous Furry Freak Bros".

I am developing a number of research projects across the many forms of animation and I'm currently investigating digital sculpting with haptic devices for VR and 360* animation.

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Enrolment / Student MetCard Collection

Enrolment is an important process which confirms your status as a Student. You can complete the online self-enrolment process from any computer through our Self Service system. Please note that in order to self-enrol; your status must be Unconditional Firm (UF).

You will receive an email notifying you when you are eligible to enrol online. The email will direct you to a password reset facility in order to request a password to be able to login and complete the enrolment process. For information and guidance on this process please make sure you visit our enrolment page – www.cardiffmet.ac.uk/enrolment.

This process is essential in that it will allow you access to your student loan (if applied for), payment of fees, Cardiff Met's IT systems and importantly enable you to obtain your Student MetCard.

You will also receive your Programme Handbook during your Induction Week.

Enrolment for International Students from outside the EU

If you are an international student (from outside the EU) you **will not** be required to enrol online before arriving at Cardiff Met. This is because it is a legal requirement for the university to check immigration documents of international students before they are permitted to enrol onto their courses. For more information about international student enrolment and a list of documents you will need to bring with you, please access the [international student pages](#) or contact the Immigration Compliance Team at immigrationregs@cardiffmet.ac.uk or Tel: 029 2041 5644.

Library & Information Services

You will have access to Cardiff Met's Library & Information Services soon after completing your online enrolment. A confirmation email will be sent to you with your Cardiff Met login details. To see the facilities and services available, please refer to www.cardiffmet.ac.uk/library.

Your Student MetCard

A scheduled time for collection of your MetCard will be stated within your Induction Week information. Your MetCard gives you access to all main campus buildings and doors. You can also add money to your MetCard to be able to access and pay at the self-service printers, copiers and Print Studio services. For further benefits of MetCard please click [here](#).

Fees

Your programme fees for September 2019 entry have been set at £9,000. If your programme has any additional costs attached to it, they will be listed on www.cardiffmet.ac.uk/additionalcosts. Please make sure you check these to make sure you are aware of any additional costs associated with your course.

Details about fees for international students (from outside the EU) can be found [here](#).

Induction Week Timetable

Your first semester as a new student starts with Induction Week, where you will settle into your accommodation, course and student life. Your Induction Week timetable is a schedule of events designed to familiarise you with Cardiff Met, its facilities and your fellow students. You will be given the chance to attend a range of events covering your course, library services, IT, student services and students union. You will also meet, and have a number of sessions, with your personal tutor to make your academic transition as smooth as possible.

There is the Freshers Fayre where you can sign up to a number of different societies and clubs, and the MetFest social event on Friday afternoon.

Don't forget to get involved on Twitter with we are #cardiffmet.

If you are new to Cardiff, there will also be plenty of opportunities for you explore the city, make new friends and settle into your new life.

Induction is a big occasion on campus and everyone gets involved. Don't be afraid to stop and ask - all of the staff and students are happy to welcome anyone new on campus.

Your events and confirmed timetable are currently being finalised and will be uploaded as a separate document on our [New Students](#) pages for you. It will also be posted to you in September.

Typical Weekly Timetable - Animation

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
AM	Subject/Field	Subject/Field	Workshops	Constellation (Theory & Contextual Studies)	
PM	Subject/Field	Subject/Field		Constellation (Theory & Contextual Studies)	

Useful Links

- [Timetable](#)
This link will give you access to your confirmed timetable. You need to have enrolled before you can access this link, and you will be contacted when the information is available.
- [Additional Course Costs](#)
Additional costs are the mandatory or optional expenses, additional to tuition fees that need to be paid for by students to fully participate and complete their studies. This covers such things as equipment, trips, placements and DBS checks. Each programme has different additional costs.
- [International & Partnerships Office](#)
Advice for international students from outside the EU on making your visa application, living in the UK, making accommodation arrangements or taking advantage of the Airport Welcome Service. The International & Partnerships Office will provide welfare support and learning advice throughout your course.
- [Accommodation](#)
Students are able to move into Halls from Friday 14th September but internet access will only be available for those who have completed the enrolment process successfully. There will be events held throughout Induction, information of will be sent to you by Accommodation when confirmed.
- [Student Services](#)
For help during your time with us in relation to your health, welfare, lifestyle and future career. The aim is to provide you with all the support you need to ensure your studies are as enjoyable and successful as possible. Services also include counselling, disability and chaplaincy.
- [Student Finance](#)
For information on Tuition Fee Loans and Maintenance Loans, non-repayable grants, bursaries and scholarships that may be available.
- [Cardiff Met Sport & Facilities](#)
- [Cardiff Met SU](#) *including Freshers' information & wristbands*
- [Term Dates](#)
- [Campus Maps, Bike Shelters & Met Rider](#)
Cardiff Met offers its own bus service called the Met Rider, you will be sent an application with your Induction & Enrolment Information. We also have Bicycle Storage shelters on each campus, with changing and showers available. The shelters are secured and are only accessed using your MetCard when you have requested permissions via the i-zone.
- [Safe Taxi Scheme](#)
Cardiff Met operates a Safe Taxi scheme through Dragon Taxis which ensures you always have a way to get home.
- [Virtual Tours](#)
Have another look around our campus and facilities with our guided virtual tours
- [Student Handbook](#) [Academic Handbook](#)
- [Admissions Policy](#)

WELCOME 2019

induction week timetable

COURSE TITLE: Animation

CAMPUS: Llandaff

MONDAY 16 th SEPTEMBER Dydd Llun 16 Medi	TUESDAY 17 th SEPTEMBER Dydd Mawrth 17 Medi	WEDNESDAY 18 th SEPTEMBER Dydd Mercher 18 Medi	THURSDAY 19 th SEPTEMBER Dydd Iau 19 Medi	FRIDAY 20 th SEPTEMBER Dydd Gwener 20 Medi
<p>10:00 – 13:00 Course Welcome Event** Room N0.01</p> <p>13:00 – 14:00 Lunch</p> <p>14:00-15:00 Found animation film project. Animation Studios</p> <p>15:00 – 17:00 School Welcome Event</p> <p>Evening SU Activities</p>	<p>10:00 – 14:00 Meet your Personal Tutor' sessions. Room N1.03</p> <p>Orientation activities running concurrent with tutorials Room N1.03</p> <p>Evening SU Activities</p>	<p>10:00 – 16:00 Freshers Fayre</p> <p>Cyncoed Campus National Indoor Athletics Centre (NIAC)</p> <p><i>Your Student MetCard can be picked up throughout the day from the Enrolment Team based in the fayre.</i></p> <p>Evening SU Activities</p>	<p>10:00 – 11:00 Summer project presentations and workshop. Room N0.01</p> <p>11:00-12:00 Pick up ID Cards Learning Centre</p> <p>12:00 – 13:00 Lunch</p> <p>13:00-17:00 Summer project presentations and workshop. Room N0.01</p> <p>Evening SU Activities</p>	<p>10:00 – 13:00 Show and Tell Animation Party. Room N0.01</p> <p>13:00 – 14:00 Induction Week Exhibition Opening. Cardiff School of Art & Design</p>
				<p>14.00 - 19.00 MetFest Llandaff Campus</p>
Course specific events			Social Events	