



Bournemouth  
University

Faculty of Media  
& Communication

# International Summer School

3D Animation & Digital Effects at the  
National Centre for Computer Animation

14-27 July 2025



Ranked as the UK's top animation school,  
third in Europe and fourth internationally.

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## What will you study

This summer we will be opening our university doors to students who wish to learn more about Animation and Digital Effects at the internationally recognised National Centre for Computer Animation (NCCA). We look forward to welcoming you to our campus and showing you the best of BU.

Our graduates have worked on films such as *Blade Runner 2049*, *Avengers: Infinity War*, *Solo: A Star Wars Story*, *Fantastic Beasts: The Crimes of Grindelwald* and *Dunkirk*. You will

get the opportunity to be taught by our academics in leading animation and art studios as well gaining experience in areas such as motion capture and visual effects.

## Animation & Digital Effects course

Academics from the NCCA will introduce you to the following topics:

- Computer animation and visual effects
- Motion capture lecture, studio and workshop
- Digital effects acquisition, development and compositing
- Modelling and texturing
- Lighting and rendering
- Storyboarding
- Production pipeline from Maya to Unreal
- Visual and critical studies
- Post-production
- Visit to an animation and VFX studio.

## The £2,500 fee for the course includes:

- Six hours of activities each day
- Study in dedicated, high-end facilities
- Industry visit
- Social activities
- Organised excursions to London and the Jurassic Coast
- Accommodation, breakfast and lunch included
- Use of relevant university facilities, including free Wi-Fi
- Airport transfers.\*

\* Offered during specified time period on arrival day. If you are arriving outside this time, we are happy to arrange alternative transport with additional fees.



## Making friends

Bournemouth is a very lively and cosmopolitan town, with lots of ways to enjoy yourself and relax away from your studies.

During the week we will organise activities to help you settle in and make new friends. You will have time to enjoy games on the beach, sightseeing trips to London and places of historical and cultural interest.

Every Friday night throughout the summer there is a free firework display over Bournemouth Pier which is an amazing spectacle!



## Where you will stay

You will stay in Bournemouth University campus accommodation with a range of catering options provided. The accommodation also has its own kitchen which you are free to use if you would like to share national dishes with your new friends.

Broadband is available in every room and there is Wi-Fi throughout the university.



## Why choose BU?

- Bournemouth is ranked as the UK's top animation school, third in Europe and fourth internationally\*
- Home to the only National Centre for Computer Animation in the UK
- Industry-standard equipment, including a green screen studio, virtual production facilities and computer labs equipped with professional production software
- Follow in the footsteps of our Oscar- and BAFTA-winning BU graduates, learning new skills in animation and art
- Explore the south of England's top tourist attractions and enjoy our 11km of sandy beaches.

\*Animation Career Review 2024 International Animation School Rankings







**Bournemouth is a thriving town** on the beautiful south coast of England. It's easy to find your way around and is less than two hours from London Heathrow Airport.



**Ranked by Tripadvisor as the location of one of the best beaches in the UK**, Bournemouth is home to a vibrant international community, great shopping, an array of watersports – and a Premier League football team. In the surrounding area, you'll find the UNESCO World Heritage Jurassic Coast and the breathtaking New Forest, which you could explore during your Summer School visit.

For more information and how to apply, please visit:  
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