Digital Creature Animation – Technical Direction

Ontario College Graduate Certificate Program   Program Code: **PCDCA**

Trafalgar Road Campus

> **Please note:** This is a sample Supplemental Admission Requirements Information Sheet for reference purposes only. A full copy of the Supplemental Admission Requirements Sheet will only be made available to applicants to **Digital Creature Animation – Technical Direction**.

If you require this information in an accessible format, please contact: registrar@sheridancollege.ca

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Program Eligibility

- Sheridan's Computer Animation Program or equivalent as assessed by Sheridan;

   and

- A postsecondary diploma or degree in art and/or design,
   or

- Demonstrated competence through relevant educational and/or work experience

Credentials earned at less than the equivalent of an Ontario College Diploma will not be considered as having met the academic entrance requirements.

Applicants who do not have the educational and/or work experience or fail to demonstrate the required technical skills will not have their portfolio reviewed and will result in a score of 0.

A thorough understanding of 3D CG modeling, rigging, texturing and lighting (Maya or Houdini preferred) as well as basic character animation skills are essential factors to qualify for this program.

Selection Process for Applicants

Eligible applicants are selected on the basis of:

- Demonstrated competence through related work and/or educational experience
- [Letter of Intent](#) and [Résumé](#)
- [Portfolio](#) assessment

Applicants selected for the program will be notified through their Sheridan email account. Decisions will not be released over the phone. Fee, registration and timetable information will follow. Classes for the Fall term begin September 3, 2024.

You will be required to submit a portfolio, résumé and letter of intent <u>online</u>. The deadline to submit portfolios for the first round of assessment is February 22, 2024. After this date, assessments will be made on a first-come, first serve basis for the remaining available seats. It's in your best interest to submit your documents as soon as possible, as seats can fill quickly.

Academic Integrity

By submitting your Admission Requirements, you are agreeing to comply with Sheridan's Academic Integrity Policy. The Academic Integrity Policy states:

Sheridan College is committed to upholding the highest standards of academic integrity. The International Centre for Academic Integrity (ICAI) defines academic integrity as "a commitment, even in the face of adversity, to six fundamental values: honesty, trust, fairness, respect, responsibility, and courage. From these values flow principles of behavior that enable academic communities to translate ideals into action".

Applicants who are found to have falsified transcripts, cheated on admission tests, or submitted fraudulent documents or in any other way attempted to circumvent the admissions process in a manner inconsistent with the principles of academic integrity, will not be granted admission to the College. Those applicants will be ineligible for admission to any Sheridan program or course for a period of not less than 5 years, after which admission to the College will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

For programs where a portfolio submission is required as part of the admission process, portfolio work should represent an applicant's own ideas, writing, projects and creations. Where others have contributed, or non-original ideas have been included, applicants will give proper recognition and reference. Applicants are not allowed to use advanced automated tools (artificial intelligence or machine learning tools such as ChatGPT) for written or visual components of portfolio submissions.

Additional Admission Requirements

LETTER OF INTENT
- ➢ Reply to the question: Why are you applying to this program?
- ➢ Maximum 500 words
- ➢ PDF file

RÉSUMÉ
- ➢ Maximum 3 pages
- ➢ PDF file

PORTFOLIO

(a) Required:
- ➢ Demo reel video file (2 minutes max)
- ➢ Video file must be less than 200 MB
- ➢ Video file format: MP4 or MOV

and

Breakdown that should clearly explain the development process and work done by the applicant on each image/video submitted in portfolio
- ➢ PDF file

(b) Optional:
- ➢ Images of applicant's work (minimum of 5 and maximum of 20)
- ➢ Each image file must be less than 5 MB
- ➢ Image file format: JPEG or PNG

Guidelines:

Demo reel must demonstrate the following

1. A comprehensive understanding of animation principles as applied to character and physical computer animation.
2. 3D software skills (Maya or Houdini preferred)
   a. Modeling
   b. Lighting/Rendering
   c. Character Rigging
   d. Animation

Note:
- ▪ Portfolios will not be reviewed or critiqued by faculty before application.

Additional Information

- **Check your Sheridan email account frequently.** Many of the communications you receive from Sheridan come to you exclusively via your Sheridan email account.