

<b>Course title</b>	<b>Animation Overview and Studio Practice</b>			
<b>Course code</b>	<b>BIMA-260</b>			
<b>Course type</b>	<b>Compulsory</b>			
<b>Level</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Cycle</b>			
<b>Year / Semester</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>			
<b>Teacher's name</b>	<b>Prof. Paschalis Paschalis</b>			
<b>ECTS</b>	6	<b>Lectures / week</b>	12	<b>Laboratories / week</b>
<b>Course purpose and objectives</b>	<p>The main objectives of the course are to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Summarize the historical and critical overview of how motion graphics has evolved as a commercial practice in the motion picture, broadcast, and interactive media industries.</li> <li>• Examine case studies and engaging graphics that feature works of high artistic merit from across the globe.</li> <li>• Explain how designers formulate ideas; solve problems and search for artistic expression.</li> <li>• Demonstrate the choreography of movement and the main animation principles</li> <li>• Guide students to design and shoot stop motion animation films through the thoughtful and creative use of ideas, concepts, and contemporary technologies.</li> </ul>			
<b>Learning outcomes</b>	<p>On completing the course students are expected to be able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Recognize the historical development of motion graphics and animation.</li> <li>2. Identify the applications of motion graphics across different media platforms.</li> <li>3. Analyze the aesthetic challenges and considerations in multimedia design.</li> <li>4. Explain the concept of motion literacy in time-based media.</li> <li>5. Apply sequential principles to communicate concepts and emotions effectively.</li> <li>6. Conceptualize and define design objectives with a focus on the target audience.</li> <li>7. Identify and describe fundamental animation principles and techniques.</li> <li>8. Apply stop-motion techniques and studio practices to produce short, animated films.</li> </ol>			
<b>Prerequisites</b>	BIMA-160	<b>Required</b>		
<b>Course content</b>	A brief History of Motion Graphics and experimental Animation. Motion Graphics in Film and Television. Motion Graphics in Interactive media and the Environment. Motion Literacy: Choreographing movement. The sequential			

	composition. Conceptualization. Animation Processes. The stop motion animation technique, the software, and the studio equipment. Putting theory into practice in the stop motion animation studio.
<b>Teaching methodology</b>	Lectures, seminars, one-day projects, demonstrations, tutorials, group critiques and discussions, practical projects, written assignments.
<b>Bibliography</b>	<p><b>Motion Graphics Design – Applied History and Aesthetics, Jon Krasner, focal press, 2008, 978-0-240-80989-2.</b>  <b>Lecturer’s notes, Paschalis Paschalis, online, 2024</b></p> <p><b>Recommended Textbooks / Readings:</b></p> <p>The Advanced Art of Stop Motion Animation, Ken A. Priebe, Course Technology PTR; 1<sup>st</sup> edition, 2010, 978-1435456136</p> <p>Stop Motion Filmmaking: The Complete Guide to Fabrication and Animation, Christopher Walsh, Bloomsbury Academic, 2019, 1474268048</p> <p>Basics Animation 04: Stop motion, Barry Purves, AVA Publishing; 1<sup>st</sup> edition, 2010, 978-2940373734</p>
<b>Assessment</b>	Major projects, in-class projects, written midterm exam, class attendance, weekly presentations, and performance.
<b>Language</b>	English