

Course Syllabus

Course Code	Course Title	ECTS Credits
MULT-362	Stop Motion Animation	6
Prerequisites	Department	Semester
MULT-260	Design and Multimedia	Fall
Type of Course	Field	Language of Instruction
Required	Applied Multimedia	English
Level of Course	Lecturer(s)	Year of Study
1 st Cycle	Paschalis Paschalis	3rd
Mode of Delivery	Work Placement	Corequisites
Conventional	N/A	N/A

Course Objectives:

The main objectives of the course are to:

- Introduce students to the brief history of stop motion animation
- Acquaint students with the necessary knowledge and skills for the creation of a concept, story development and scripts for an animated film
- Offer insight into character creation with clay sculpting and wire armature
- Introduce students to scene design and lighting
- Enable students to explore timing, narrative and stop motion animation principles through experimental short sequences
- Offer insight on filming techniques, art direction and direction of photography
- Guide students to plan, design and produce a short animated film

Learning Outcomes:

After completion of the course students are expected to be able to:

- 1. Identify the history of stop motion animation
- 2. Create concepts, story developments and scripts for an animated film
- 3. Create and animate characters out of clay and wire armature
- 4. Create miniature movie scenes with lighting and sound
- 5. Utilize their knowledge and skills to art direct and film their own animations
- 6. Plan, design and produce a short animated film



Course Content:

- 1. History of stop motion animation
- 2. Concept creation, story development and scripts for an animated film
- 3. Storyboard design
- 4. Clay character creation
- 5. Scene design and lighting
- 6. Setting up the stop motion capture studio in class
- 7. Character movement and timing
- 8. Art direction, direction of photography and filming with the stop motion technique
- 9. Plan, design and produce a short animated film

Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:

Lectures, demonstrations, lab tutorials, exercises and assignments

Assessment Methods:

Participation, exercises and projects

Required Textbooks / Readings:

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Stop Motion: Craft Skills for Model Animation	Susannah Shaw	Focal Press; 2 nd edition	2008	978- 0240520551
A Century of Stop-Motion Animation: From Melies to Aardman	Ray Harryhausen	Watson- Guptill; 1 st Edition	2008	978- 0823099801
Start & Run a Creative Services Business	Susan Kirkland	Self Counsel Press; 2 nd edition	2009	978- 1551808642



Basics Animation 04: Stop-motion	Barry Purves	AVA Publishing; 1 st edition	2010	978- 2940373734
Stop Motion: Craft Skills for Model Animation (Focal Press Visual Effects and Animation)	Susannah Shaw	Focal Press; 1 st edition	2003	978- 0240516592
The Advanced Art of Stop- Motion Animation	Ken A. Priebe	Course Technology PTR; 1 st edition	2010	978- 1435456136