

NORTHWESTERN CONNECTICUT COMMUNITY COLLEGE

COURSE SYLLABUS Spring 08

Course Title: Introduction to 3D Animation

Course #: ART* 277

Course Description: Three (3) credit hours – 6 studio/lab hours. Students will explore fundamental principles of three-dimensional computer animation including: previsualization, modeling techniques, movement, motion principles. And character design

Pre-requisite/Co-requisite: ART* 276 and consent of the instructor

Goals:

- To teach fundamental principles of 3D computer animation.
- To develop observational skills for understanding and interpreting the world around you.
- To learn to include artistic skills within a computer environment.
- To learn the elements of storytelling that are necessary for successful animation.
- To apply the principles of character animation in a wide variety of situations.

Outcomes: Upon successful completion of this course the student should be able to:

1. Create storyboards that clearly define their ideas.
2. Animate characters that show convincing weight and movement.
3. Animate characters using the basic principles of animation including squash and stretch, anticipation, staging, and timing.
4. Create and animate constructed character designs.

College Policies

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