

## NC Computer Arts & Animation *(SCQF Level 6)*

Full-time

### Where will I study?

Course code	Location	Duration
CLOPD	Aberdeen City Campus	1 Year

### Welcome from Director of Curriculum

As the current Director of Curriculum, I would like to welcome you to the School of Creative Industries, Computing and Business Enterprise at North East Scotland College. This school encompasses the Creative Arts, Music, Drama, Media, ESOL, Business Enterprise and Computing and IT subjects – all of which offer interesting and exciting opportunities for students to progress and achieve success in their future careers.

Through work with external clients and experienced, knowledgeable teaching teams, our students will benefit from industry-focused, high quality learning. This means that on completion of your course, you are confident and capable when it comes to entering the workplace, or progressing towards further study. We pride ourselves in offering educational opportunities for all, whether you are starting at introductory level or joining one of our advanced courses. On behalf of the entire teaching team, we are delighted to have you join – or consider joining – one of our courses.

**Susan Betty, Director of Curriculum for Creative Industries, Computing and Business Enterprise**

### Introduction to the course

This course allows you to take a hands-on approach to computer arts and animation, achieved through creative development and visual thinking. You will put your creativity to the test through extensive practical design work, whilst building important, transferable skills such as planning, organisation and time-management. You will learn about digital media and graphic design, and its importance and influence in modern-day business. You will also strengthen your graphic illustration skills and your understanding of 2D and 3D composition, and see practice and theory combine when you get the chance to create your own unique pieces of work.

This course also involves a creative web project, and you will cover Communications and Numeracy at SCQF Level 5.

### Entry requirements

Applicants should have relevant knowledge and skills, and a minimum of four unit passes at National 5, Intermediate 2 or Standard Grade Credit level. Alternatively, applicants should have relevant work experience or successful completion of a relevant introductory level course at SCQF Level 4 or 5.

### What subjects will I be studying?

You will learn about digital media, graphic design and corporate identity, and its importance and influence in

modern-day business. You will also strengthen your creative 2D and 3D composition, analytical drawing and graphic illustration skills, and see practice and theory combine when you create your own unique pieces of work. This course also involves a creative web project. Subjects include:

- Graphic Design (Corporate Identity)
- Digital Media
- Graphic Illustration
- 3D Skills Development
- Creative 2D Composition
- Web Project
- Analytical Drawing
- Communications and Numeracy at SCQF Level 5

## Assessment methods

On this course you will be assessed continually throughout the year. Coursework takes the form of reports, presentations and practical projects. Please note that this course does not include an external end-of-course examination.

## Dress code

Students should dress appropriately for practical, hands-on work, as you will be working in a creative environment and using a range of different materials and equipment.

## Equipment

You will have to provide your own A3 Workbooks and Memory Stick(s).

## Course progression

Students who successfully complete this course may progress to:

- HNC 3D Computer Animation
- HND Visual Communication

Progression to other related HND courses may also be possible, subject to interview.

## University links

North East Scotland College has links with a wide range of universities from across Scotland. Every one of our HND level courses has articulation opportunities where you could progress from your chosen course to a related university degree, subject to conditions. This is an excellent option for those who may want to come to College at an introductory level, and then work their way towards degree level study.

[Find out more about our associate universities](#)

## University progression

Following on from this course, you could progress to the HND 3D Computer Animation or HND Visual Communication course.

## Useful information

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**Faculty:** Computing

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**School:** School of Creative Industries, Computing and Business Enterprise

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## Guidance

All full-time students will have a designated Course Tutor and a Guidance Tutor. Your Course Tutor will act as your main key point of contact for all matters relating to your course and progress. Your Guidance Tutor will monitor your attendance, as well as deal with any personal matters you may want to discuss.

Guidance Tutors work closely with Course Tutors and other lecturing teams to ensure you have access to any support you need to ensure you successfully complete your course. There are various issues that may affect your learning whilst at College, so please talk to someone if you encounter any problems at all.

[Find out more about Guidance at NESCol](#)

## Support

The College has trained advisers in place to help you with a range of factors that might affect your time at College.

They can help you with your application, funding queries, careers advice, learning support and more!

[Find out more about student support at NESCol](#)

## Learning Resources

The College has a number of excellent learning resources available to assist and support the delivery of our classes across full-time, part-time and distance learning courses. They aim to enhance the quality of your learning experience.

[Find out more about learning resources at NESCol](#)

## Library+ and Digital Skills Space

Our Library+ sites at the Aberdeen City, Aberdeen Altens and Fraserburgh Campuses provide all students with access to books, journals, newspapers, core skills materials and more! You'll also find laptop friendly areas, private study/research booths and printers, scanners and photocopiers.

Our Digital Skills Space is a new modern and accessible facility where students can study and access key resources/support. It has replaced what was previously the IT Centre, and is located in the newly expanded Library+ at City Campus.

[Find out more about what our Library+ has to offer](#)

[Find out more about the Digital Skills Space](#)

## College calendar

Have a look at our [College Calendar](#) for further information on key dates throughout the year.

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