



Course description:

Aesthetic and technical aspects of computer game development, including game mechanics, story development, content creation and game programming. Topics include game design, interface design, 3D modeling & animation, graphics algorithms, shader programming and AI.

Aims of the course:

Students will learn the aesthetic and technical aspects of game development including story development, game play & mechanics, interface design, game content development, game programming, prototype development, play testing and project management. And at the end of the course, students will have designed a new game, developed the story board and art assets for the game and implemented a playable prototype.

Intended Learning Outcomes: (ILOs)

- A. Give an introduction to computer game development starting from concept development to implementation of a playable game prototype.
- B. Aesthetic and technical aspects of game development will be covered.
- C. Focus on programming tools and concepts for games, including data structures & algorithms, computer graphics, human-computer interaction, shader programming and AI.

Course structures:

Week	Credit Hours	ILOs	Topics	Teaching Procedure	Assessment methods
1,2	6	A	Introduction, Game design review, Game development pipeline	Presentation methods and techniques, Sources of information and Instructional Aids	Diagnostic tests to identify the students level and areas of weakness Formal (stage) evaluation a) Class Participation b) Ist Exam c) 2nd Exam d) Activity file
3	3	A	Story development, Story boards for games	Presentation methods and techniques,	Diagnostic tests to identify the students level and areas of weakness

				Sources of information and Instructional Aids	Formal (stage) evaluation a) Class Participation b) Ist Exam c) 2nd Exam d) Activity file
4,5	6	A	Real-time graphics, shader programming	Presentation methods and techniques, Sources of information and Instructional Aids	Diagnostic tests to identify the students level and areas of weakness Formal (stage) evaluation a) Class Participation b) Ist Exam c) 2nd Exam d) Activity file
6	3	B	Game development tools and techniques, project management	Presentation methods and techniques, Sources of information and Instructional Aids	Diagnostic tests to identify the students level and areas of weakness Formal (stage) evaluation a) Class Participation b) Ist Exam c) 2nd Exam d) Activity file
7	3	B	Game content creation (graphics, animation & sound)	Presentation methods and techniques, Sources of information and Instructional Aids	Diagnostic tests to identify the students level and areas of weakness Formal (stage) evaluation a) Class Participation b) Ist Exam c) 2nd Exam d) Activity file
8	3	C	User interfaces & peripherals	Presentation methods and techniques, Sources of information and Instructional Aids	Diagnostic tests to identify the students level and areas of weakness Formal (stage) evaluation a) Class Participation b) Ist Exam c) 2nd Exam d) Activity file
9	3	C	Game play and interface design	Presentation methods and techniques, Sources of information and Instructional Aids	Diagnostic tests to identify the students level and areas of weakness Formal (stage) evaluation a) Class Participation b) Ist Exam c) 2nd Exam d) Activity file
10	3	C	Basic game prototype development	Presentation methods and techniques, Sources of information and Instructional Aids	Diagnostic tests to identify the students level and areas of weakness Formal (stage) evaluation a) Class Participation b) Ist Exam c) 2nd Exam d) Activity file
10,11	6	C	GPU Programming, multi-threading, particle systems	Presentation methods and techniques,	Diagnostic tests to identify the students level and areas of weakness

				Sources of information and Instructional Aids	Formal (stage) evaluation a) Class Participation b) Ist Exam c) 2nd Exam d) Activity file
12,13	6	B	Game rule development, levels of difficulty	Presentation methods and techniques, Sources of information and Instructional Aids	Diagnostic tests to identify the students level and areas of weakness Formal (stage) evaluation a) Class Participation b) Ist Exam c) 2nd Exam d) Activity file
14	3	B	Computer-controlled agents in games	Presentation methods and techniques, Sources of information and Instructional Aids	Diagnostic tests to identify the students level and areas of weakness Formal (stage) evaluation a) Class Participation b) Ist Exam c) 2nd Exam d) Activity file

References:

A. Main Textbook:

The Art of Game Design: A book of lenses by Jesse Schell; Morgan Kaufmann, 2008.

Assessment Methods:

Methods	Grade	Date
First Exam	15%	
Second Exam	15%	
Assignments (Reports /Quizzes/ Seminar / Tutorials)	20%	
Final Examination	50%	

