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SCHOOL OF GAMES, ANIMATION AND VFX

BA (Hons) & CertHE
Games Design & Development

APPLICANT PACK

Welcome to MetStudios! This guide will help you get ready for your Applicant Day, outlining what to expect and how to make the most of your experience. We'll also provide tips on creating and presenting your portfolio.

The Applicant Day is your chance to explore our studios, get your hands on our state-of-the-art equipment, attend interactive workshops, and receive valuable feedback on your portfolio from an industry professional. Most importantly, this day will help you find out about the course you are most interested in.

WHAT TO EXPECT ON THE DAY

Workshops
Our workshops give you the opportunity to check out the wide range of high-quality equipment we use at MetStudios. You'll be able to explore our facilities, studios, and editing suites, and you'll get to work with industry-standard technology.

Workshops may include:
- Level design with players in mind
- Creature design
- Gaming culture

Portfolio review
As part of the Applicant Day, you'll attend a one-to-one session with a member of the team, where you'll present a portfolio of your work and ideas. Here are some components you may wish to include:

- Game concepts:

These could include design documents and diagrams explaining gameplay loops, mechanics and systems.

- Prototypes:

These could be physical (e.g., paper prototypes) or digital games you have made. If you choose to share a digital game, please bring videos or screenshots.

- Level design:

Showcase levels or maps for your games that highlight pacing, interactivity and world building. You can bring either physical or digital copies.

- World building:

Have you designed a world for a game? If so, you could show us design systems inspired by the world's rules (e.g., resource scarcity, cultural influences).

Alternatively, modifying existing games (modding) or using in-game editors to create content are excellent ways to demonstrate your technical skills and creativity. You could also express yourself through tabletop role-playing campaigns if you are a keen player or DM.

To present your portfolio, we recommend bringing a hard drive or hosting your images, sketches or recordings on a Google Drive or OneDrive account. You may also include physical copies as part of your portfolio.

We will send over a full schedule of the Applicant Day in advance, so keep an eye on your emails.

Next steps
Once you've attended an Applicant Day and completed your portfolio review, our Admissions Team will be in touch with the outcome.

If you receive an offer, you will need to apply via UCAS (or directly via our website, if you're an international applicant) if you have not already done so. Then, you can formally accept your offer.

We can't wait to meet you! If you have any questions about the Applicant Day or your application, please email us at **admissions@metfilm.ac.uk**.