Programme Specification for BA (Hons) Game Art

This document applies to Academic Year 2023/24 onwards

1.	Awarding institution/body	University of Worcester
2.	Teaching institution	University of Worcester
3.	Programme accredited by	N/A
4.	Final award	BA(Hons)
5.	Programme title	Game Art
6.	Pathways available	Single, Major, Joint and Minor.
		Options for current Joint Honours combinations and UCAS
		codes can be found at:
		https://www.worcester.ac.uk/study/find-a-course/joint-
		degrees/joint-degrees.aspx
7.	Mode and/or site of	Standard taught programme on the University of Worcester
	delivery	site
8.	Mode of attendance	Full time and part time
9.	UCAS Code	Game Art I758
10.	Subject Benchmark	QAA Subject Benchmark Statement:
	statement and/or	Art and Design (2019)
	professional body	
	statement	
11.	Date of Programme	November 2015. Minor updates/amendments July 2016.
• • •	Specification preparation/	January 2017 – Course title changed from Game Art
	revision	Design to Game Art. New modules added GAMA1003,
		GAMA2003, GAMA2004, GAMA2005. GAMA2000 module
		title changed. GAMA2002 removed and COMP2347
		added as shared module. GDES1010, ILTN1011,
		CDME2002, CDME2008, CDME2011, CDME2029,
		GAMA2002, GDES2014, ILTN2013, and CDME3005
		removed. General updates made to all sections of the
		programme specification. GDES2200 removed and
		replaced with GDES2100.
		December 2017 – Changes to Level 6. New Modules
		added GAMA3004, 3005, 3006. Shared module
		GAMA3013 added to replace GAMA3000. Amendments to
		GAMA3027 (title change) and recoded GAMA3000,
		GAMA3003 (code correction from GAMA3001 and update
		to Learning Outcomes to share with Animation).
		December 2018 – Amendments to L4 and L6 to implement
		mandatory L4 (All courses) with only optional LANG
		modules.
		August 2019 – AQU amendments to Section 19.
		October 2019 – Amendment to award map wording.
		November 2019 – New modules added: GAMA2002,
		GAMA2006, and GAMA2007. Modules removed:
		GAMA2001, GAMA2005, SCRN2005, GAMA3006.
		August 2020 – AQU amendments to Section 19.
		Nov 2020 – Dissertation-equivalent module noted on
		award map (AQU). Excluded combinations updated for
		GAMA3003.
		December 2020 – Amendment to award map wording for
		L5 and L6 minor pathway requirements.
		January 2021 – Excluded combinations updated at Level 5
		(GAMÁ2004). Pre-requisites updated (COMP modules
		removed for GAMA2006/2007).

August 2021 – AQU amendments
August 2022 – AQU amendments
November 2022 - New Modules added: GAMA2100 and
GAMA2008. Modules removed: GAMA2000 and
GAMA2004. GAMA2002 changed to optional status for all
joint hons students
February 2023 – Amendment to award map for excluded
combination (GAMA2100)
July 2023 – annual updates

12. Educational aims of the programme

BA (Hons) Game Art is designed to produce graduates who will possess all the intellectual, creative and practical skills necessary to function as artistic practitioners and concept developers in the Games Industry. This course opens perspectives into the future of this fast-developing sector. Examples include not only games as entertainment but also applied games for sectors such as education, health care, science and social justice that span different groups in society, gender and age.

With the understanding gained on the course, students will be able to communicate effectively with programmers and game designers in game development studios upon entering industry. The Independent Portfolio Project, Group Project and Professional Practice modules at level 6 will offer the student the opportunity to demonstrate their competence as a creative, professional, self-motivated learner and practitioner, able to function effectively within the industrial environment.

The course is designed to develop students' knowledge and understanding of the subject and advance the necessary skills to develop specialism in game art practice.

It incorporates three essential components of the student's learning experience: academic and creative rigour, professional competence, and a sound theoretical foundation, with reference to the UK Government Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport's Videogames Research Framework, 2023.

The course aims to enable students to:

- perform effectively and creatively in the practice and theory of game art.
- appreciate relationships between concepts and practice, both within game art and with other subject areas.
- develop intellectual, practical & creative skills appropriate to their future interests and needs in relation to further study, employment, or both.

The specific aims are to:

- develop students' creative, imaginative, technical and problem-solving skills.
- expand students' critical and analytic skills so that they can apply these to their game art design practice.
- encourage the exploration and mastery of applied and perceptual skills.
- broaden and contextualise students' knowledge base.
- promote the development of communication skills, both verbal and non-verbal, formal and informal, digital and visual.
- enhance students' independent judgment, self-reliance, and ability to work cooperatively with others.
- instil an appreciation of the ethical, gender and cultural issues surrounding game art.

13. Intended learning outcomes and learning, teaching and assessment methods

Learning, teaching and assessment

The learning outcomes are based on the Art and Design outcomes in the QAA. This ensures parity across any shared or optional modules.

Knov	Knowledge and Understanding						
LO no.	On successful completion of the named award, students will be able to:	Module Code/s					
1.	Understand the relationship between critical analysis and the practical application of game art and how to explore, analyse and solve design problems	GAMA2002 GAMA2100 GAMA3000 GAMA3004					
2.	Appreciate the importance of technical ability and creativity within game art practice;	GAMA2100 GAMA2002 GAMA3000 GAMA3013					
3	Adopt an approach to creative game principles and concepts that takes into account client and user concerns as well as changes in technology both now and in the future;	GAMA3000 GAMA3004 GAMA3013					
4	Understand the relationship between form and function and their relationship to concepts of usability and/or narrative;	GAMA2100 GAMA2002 GAMA3013 GAMA3004					
5	Recognize the cultural, social & historical contexts in which game art operates.	GAMA3013 GAMA3003 GAMA3004					

Cogn	Cognitive and Intellectual skills							
6	Demonstrate a detailed knowledge in the area of game art design in their diverse formations;	GAMA3000 GAMA3004 GAMA3005						
7	Demonstrate a critical awareness of debates and issues in the game art arena and recognise where their own work in located within it;	GAMA3000 GAMA3013 GAMA3003						
8	Apply and develop current theory and practice to the creation of new and original work in game art design.	GAMA2002 GAMA3000 GAMA3005 GAMA3004						
9	Critically engage with and apply game theory and techniques to a diverse range of situations, users and audiences in a cultural context through written analyses of games;	GAMA3000 GAMA3013 GAMA3004						
10	Reflect critically upon their own interpretations and be able to assess and challenge accepted opinion.	GAMA2002 GAMA3000 GAMA3004 GAMA3013						

Skill	Skills and capabilities related to employability							
11	Develop creative and original game concepts, storyboard narratives, character designs and game environments;	GAMA2100 GAMA2002 GAMA3000 GAMA3013 All O Modules						
12	Initiate and develop distinctive and creative work that effectively utilises relevant technical concepts and theories;	GAMA2100 GAMA2002 GAMA3000 GAMA3004						

Skills	Skills and capabilities related to employability							
		GAMA3005						
13	Demonstrate the ability to apply practical skills in creative approaches to the preparation of work in the different fields of game art design;	GAMA2100 GAMA2002 GAMA3000 GAMA3005 GAMA3004						
14	Produce work showing competence in operational aspects of game art design techniques and professional practices;	GAMA3003 GAMA3004						
15	Produce work, which is informed by and contextualised within, relevant theoretical issues and debates such as cultural context, politics, ethics and gender.	GAMA3000 GAMA3013 GAMA3004 GAMA2007						

Trans	ferable/key skills					
16	Develop an independent, organised approach to learning, and thereby practice time management skills through working to deadlines;					
17	Develop the ability to work productively with others in groups so as to sustain exploratory discussions, plan work and explore diverse opinions with respect and critical acumen;	GAMA3004 GAMA3013 All O modules				
18	Work collectively on practical tasks and presentations offering and accepting constructive criticism, meeting group deadlines, making decisions and fulfilling group objectives;	GAMA3004 L5 Optional Modules				
19	Demonstrate the ability to select areas of research for investigation from a variety of critical perspectives and to synthesise these into a coherent end product;	GAMA3013 GAMA3000 GAMA3005				
20	Develop the autonomy to construct and sustain a programme of study that allows for varying degrees of specialisation in the area of practical game art.	GAMA3013 GAMA3000				

Learning outcomes and combined subject degrees (joint, major and minor pathways):

Joint Pathway

Students following a joint pathway will have met the majority of the learning outcomes for the subject, although the range of knowledge and discipline specific understanding in terms of options or specialisms will be more restricted than for a single or major Honours student.

Major Pathway

Students following a major pathway will have met the learning outcomes for the subject but will have focused their studies in relation to subject options or specialisms.

Minor Pathway

Students following a minor pathway will have met some of the learning outcomes for the subject (as indicated by the modules studied), and will have focused the development of their knowledge, understanding and subject specific skills in particular aspects of the discipline.

Learning, Teaching, and Assessment

The learning, teaching and assessment methods employed throughout the course support the above by offering a range of opportunities, including individual and group research projects, written and oral forms of presentation and the creation of new work. Game Art engages with a

wide range of teaching methods: practical workshops, lectures, seminars, large and small group discussion, and presentations, it is, therefore, inclusive for a variety of learning styles. Each module states a range of learning and teaching methods used for its delivery. Opportunities to achieve the learning outcomes will be provided by the following methods:

- Digital studio workshops
- Seminars and student-led presentations
- Individual and group tutorials
- Keynote lectures from tutors and visiting speakers/ game art practitioners.
- · Group work, based on projects.
- Project-based activities
- Self-directed study, evidenced by blogs and learning journals
- E-learning using module websites, Blackboard and video conferencing tools
- Studio visits
- Work-based learning

Students will be assessed by the following methods:

- Visual and written research
- Essays and critical statements
- Production of practical work
- Presentations to the module group or the examining tutors
- Production of preparatory and secondary material
- Online learning journal with a variety of media embedded.

Learning and teaching methods are kept under review to ensure that as wide a range of methods are being used in order to enhance the opportunities for students to learn. Learning outcomes can be grouped into four areas: knowledge and understanding, cognitive and intellectual skills, practical skills relevant to employment and transferable/key skills.

14. Assessment Strategy

Most assignments are assessed against the learning outcomes for the module through a practical portfolio that is presented via an online site/blog. Some modules have a percentage of the assessment grade determined by a live or prerecorded presentation. These blogs are reflective, self-critical accounts of the student's learning journey in the experience offered by the module. Practical work is shown from initial concept and idea generation, through to final output, which may be embedded in 3d viewers, recorded in videos from screen capture, demos or walkthroughs of work in the game engine, or digital images, as appropriate to the module and brief.

Transferable skills, such as communication, collaboration, and project management are also explicitly assessed.

Assignments are summatively assessed by the academic staff and formatively by the student themselves, academic staff, or student's peers. During self-assessment, students are required to give a value to their own work and that of their peers, using the course criteria and grading system.

Game Art employs both formative (informal) and summative (formal) assessment. Formative assessments carry no weighting but are critical for the students' development and are useful preparation for the related summative assessment. Formative assessment can take the form of group critiques and informal peer assessment, or rehearsed presentations. In addition, formative assessment is a part of the individual tutorial system, featured in every module, and feedback. This is an important part of the student development as it creates a feedback loop offering opportunities for development. Each assessment is aligned with its intended learning outcomes and learning activities, so it is clear what is being assessed.

15. Programme structures and requirements

Game Art is part of the portfolio of courses within the Department of Art and Design Communication in the School of Arts.

Please see Appendix 1 for the Award Map.

The course is available in full and part-time modes and across the full range of pathways.

16. QAA and Professional Academic Standards and Quality

This award7 is located at Level 6 of the OfS sector recognised standards...

The intended learning outcomes for Game Art provide evidence of the ways in which the QAA subject Benchmark Statement for Art and Design February 2017, has been embedded into the teaching and learning of Art and Design at the University of Worcester.

The learning outcomes of all modules are intended to meet the QAA subject benchmark by providing the opportunity for students to apply and develop the range of Art and Design skills: the productive, the conceptual, the personal and the interpersonal.

17. Support for students

Throughout their period of study, students are supported by the Digital Arts academic and technical teams who offer a range of intellectual, practical, and pastoral support through a system of personal and academic tutoring. The Game Art Course Team is committed to ensuring that all students are given consideration and support throughout their time at the University of Worcester. Students' transition into university life is assisted by an initial short, one week's induction programme, which through a range of activities introduces students to their course, the staff who will be teaching them and the School. Students are invited, for example, to attend the School of Arts Student Party in induction week.

During this initial induction week, students are involved in a range of activities, which support them in developing an understanding of the expectations of their course, undergraduate study and the University's systems and services. They have talks or tours, for example, which introduce them to the Library and IT facilities, Media Services, the Careers and the Counselling Service. Students are also provided with a brief induction into their second and third year in the welcome back meetings.

In addition, the School of Arts monitors attendance closely in first year and provides support for first year students through the Personal Academic Tutoring system.

Subsequent meetings are arranged with students at least four times during the academic year for first year students and three times for other years. This can be on either a group or a one-to-one basis. Personal Academic Tutors also act as a first point of contact for advice on matters related to academic progress on the course, including:

- general guidance on module and option choices, with appropriate signposting to Firstpoint for the process of module selection.
- support for their tutees in becoming a member of the University and making the transition into higher education and between academic levels.
- helping their tutees to understand the requirements of the course in terms of knowledge and understanding, skills development and assessment requirements.

- facilitating tutees to take responsibility for their own learning, helping them to reflect on their overall progress, identify learning needs and develop appropriate strategies to achieve.
- helping their tutees to make the most of the learning resources and other forms of learning support available to them.
- supporting their tutees in academic, professional and career related planning and development, and appropriate recording of this.

The Course Handbook and module descriptors are available online. Library staff will provide induction to The Hive and information skills workshops. In addition, the University Careers Service provides training opportunities for career planning. Progression is identified not only in the way in which students demonstrate both their developing understanding of the conceptual frameworks of digital media and their practical skills at each level but also through the way in which they manage their independence as a learner.

The following pages on the University website guides students to the appropriate support:

https://www2.worc.ac.uk/studentsupport/ https://www2.worc.ac.uk/disabilityanddyslexia/

18. Admissions

Admissions Policy for the course

The admissions policy for Game Art seeks to be inclusive, and the course is committed to widening participation to include all groups in society. See: http://www.worcester.ac.uk/journey/admissions-policy.html

Entry requirements

The normal minimum entry requirement for undergraduate degree courses is the possession of 4 GCSEs (Grade C/4 or above) and a minimum of 2 A Levels (or equivalent Level 3 qualifications).

The current UCAS Tariff requirements for entry to this course are published in the prospectus and on the UW website https://www.worc.ac.uk/journey/a-z-of-courses.html

Please see the Admissions Policy for other acceptable qualifications.

Evidence of prior study in an art and design discipline – or equivalent experience in the case of mature applicants – will be required on application.

Recognition of Prior Learning

Details of acceptable level 3 qualifications, policy in relation to mature students or applicants with few or no formal qualifications can be found in the prospectus or on the University webpages. Information on eligibility for recognition of prior learning for the purposes of entry or advanced standing is also available from the University webpages or from the Registry Admissions Office (01905 855111).

Further information on Recognition of Prior Learning can be found at http://www.worcester.ac.uk/registryservices/941.htm

Admissions procedures

Applicants to the course are required to provide an online portfolio to ensure eligibility.

Full-time applicants apply through UCAS (single honours: I758; joint honours with Animation: P31-Y78 / I680

Part-time applicants apply directly to University of Worcester (UW).

Admissions/selection criteria

Apart from ascertaining that the University's minimum academic standards for entry into the course are achieved, the UCAS application form is used to ensure that the applicant is able to demonstrate sufficient aptitude in the art and design discipline to enable them to be able to engage with the course and that:

- the student is of the appropriate calibre in order to engage with the academic and creative rigour of the course.
- the course is matched to the student's aspirations.

Selection Criteria for Game Art *must include* the following:

- An online portfolio that demonstrates evidence of good visual communication in a variety of media (in the absence of formal art qualifications at level 3 or lower grades)
- A commitment to the subject.
- Good general knowledge and understanding of the subject.

The following examples of evidence are also desirable, but are not essential to being offered a place:

- Good communication aptitude through a variety of media, both traditional and digital.
- Self-generated projects (outside a curriculum) in any media.
- Evidence of experience in developing visual or aural concepts.
- A good selection of sketchbooks and/or research material with substance, (i.e. Giving an insight to ideas generation and critical thinking through a visual approach rather than long annotations);
- A good knowledge of the cultural and contextual aspect of game art, and its impact on contemporary culture.
- An online portfolio demonstrating artistic skill, concepts and subject interest

Candidates are *not expected* to have evidence or experience of advanced software skills.

19. Regulation of assessment

The course operates under the University's Taught Courses Regulatory Framework

Requirements to pass modules

- Modules are assessed using a variety of assessment activities, which are detailed in the module specifications.
- The minimum pass mark is D- for each module.
- Students are required to submit all items of assessment in order to pass a module, and in some modules, a pass mark in each item of assessment may be required.
- Full details of the assessment requirements for a module, including the assessment criteria, are published in the module outline.

Submission of assessment items

- Students who submit course work late but within 7 days (one week) of the due date will have work marked, but the grade will be capped at D- unless an application for mitigating circumstances is accepted.
- Students who submit work later than 7 days (one week) of the due date will not have work marked unless they have submitted a valid claim of mitigating circumstances.

 For full details of submission regulations see <u>Taught Courses Regulatory</u> Framework.

Retrieval of failure

- Students are entitled to resit failed assessment items for any module that is awarded a fail grade.
- Reassessment items that are passed are capped at D-.
- If a student is unsuccessful in the reassessment, they have the right to retake the module (or, in some circumstances, take an alternative module); the module grade for a re-taken module is capped at D-.
- A student will be notified of the reassessment opportunities in the results notification issued via the secure student portal (SOLE). It is the student's responsibility to be aware of and comply with any reassessments.

Requirements for Progression

- A student will be permitted to progress from Level 4 to Level 5 if, by the time of the reassessment Board of Examiners, they have passed at least 90 credits at Level 4.
 Outstanding Level 4 credits must normally be studied in the following academic year.
- A student will be permitted to progress from Level 5 to Level 6 if, by the time of the reassessment Board of Examiners, they have passed at least 210 credits, including 90 credits at Level 5. Outstanding Level 5 credits must normally be studied in the following academic year.
- A student who, by the time of the reassessment Board of Examiners, has failed 90 credits or more (after exhausting all reassessment opportunities) during the academic year, will have their registration with the University terminated
- If a student has not passed at least 90 credits by the reassessment Board of Examiners, the student is not permitted to progress to the next level and will be required to either complete outstanding reassessment or retake the failed modules the following academic year. Students will be able to carry forward any passed modules.

Requirements for Awards

Award	Requirement				
CertHE	Passed 120 credits at Level 4 or higher				
DipHE	Passed a minimum of 240 credits with at least 90				
	credits at Level 5 or higher				
Degree	Passed a minimum of 300 credits with at least 90				
(non-honours)	credits at Level 5 or higher and a minimum of 60				
	credits at Level 6				
Degree with honours	Passed a minimum of 360 credits with at least 90				
	credits at Level 5 or higher and a minimum of 120				
	credits at Level 6				

Classification

The honours classification will be determined by whichever of the following two methods results in the higher classification.

- Classification determined on the profile of the 120 credits attained at Level 5 and 120 credits at Level 6. Level 5 and Level 6 grades are weighted on a ratio of 1:2. OR
- Classification will be based on the weighted average grade together with a requirement for at least half of the Level 6 grades to be in the higher class.

For further information on honours degree classification, see the <u>Taught Courses Regulatory</u> Framework.

Note that the above methods apply to students entering Level 4 of three or four year degree programmes who commence Level 4 from September 2022 onwards.

20. Graduate destinations, employability, and links with employers

Graduate destinations

The games industry is global, encompassing a healthy sector in the UK made up of AAA studios and smaller independent studios (indie), mobile developers and related sectors that increasingly use gaming technology. Games graduates need to be highly creative with strong technical skills demonstrated in their portfolios, but the industry also needs 'soft skills' such as good team work, organisational skills, self and project management and the ability to respond positively to feedback. These can be seen as transferable skills, not exclusive to the subject specific knowledge students will develop.

Our curriculum reflects this dualistic approach and ensures that our graduates will have the skills needed by the games industry or related sectors. We have consulted industry professionals in developing the course and continue to seek their input to ensure our programme is current and relevant.

Student employability

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The course embeds employability throughout the course, but increasingly from Level 5. For example, in GAMA2007 Game Production, students engage with 'real world' client and develop games in response to client briefings and feedback. At level 6, this is extended in a yearlong Group Game Development module, GAMA3004. In GAMA3003, Professional Practice, students experience a concentrated focus on game development practices, portfolio presentation, networking skills and soft skill development and presentation, including mock interviews.

Engagement with outside clients' live briefs is encouraged. Courses within the Digital Arts and Film Subject areas participate in such initiatives on a regular basis and students also submit work for awards and prizes in national and international competitions. In Game Art we have seen success regularly in The Rookies, for example.

Links with employers

Consultation with game development studios and individual practitioners has been a feature of the course development. This ensures continual updating of course content and direction to ensure relevancy to industry requirements.

A range of contributors from larger developers, indie developers and mobile game studios, and industry stakeholders such as campaigning organisations for diversity in the industry, and industry trade associations, inform and assist in developing the course, with industry contacts from the course leader feeding into ongoing course development.

Undergraduates benefit from such links, with both practical connections providing live briefs and work placements and providing inspiration and context for their future practice. Prominent among these employers are the following:

- Sumo Digital are a world leading game developer with studios in 17 locations, globally.
 The Leamington Spa studio and Lab42 are regional studios in a key area for game
 development in the UK, geographically and historically. Sumo Group are frequent award
 winners and offer a culture of nurturing talent and personal development that includes
 their own Developer Conference.
- Microsoft Rare are arguably one of the most successful UK game development studios, with a 30-year history making iconic games such as Perfect Dark, Banjo-Kazooie, Golden Eye and latterly, Sea of Thieves.
- Sun and Moon Studios, Bristol, developed EyeGaze games for the gaming charity Special Effect. The charity works to improve inclusion, entertainment, and quality of life for people with physical challenges, with their bespoke 'eye gaze technology'.

Please note: This specification provides a concise summary of the main features of the programme and the learning outcomes that a typical student might reasonably be expected to achieve and demonstrate if s/he takes full advantage of the learning opportunities that are provided. More detailed information on the learning outcomes, content and teaching, learning and assessment methods of each module can be found in associated course documentation e.g. course handbooks, module outlines and module specifications.

Award map

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Level 4						
Module	Module Title	Credits	Status		Pre-requisites	Co-requisites or
Code		(Number)	(Designated (D) or		(Code of	excluded
			Mandatory (M) or		Module	combinations and
			Optional (O))		required)	other notes
			SH	JH		
GAMA1100	Game Art: Design, Theory and Concepts	30	М	М	None	None
GAMA1101	Game Construction I	15	М	М	None	None
GAMA1102	Game Construction II	15	0	NA	None	None
GAMA1103	Core Skills 2D: Drawing & Digital Art	30	М	NA	None	None
GAMA1105	Core Skills 3D: Props	15	0	NA	None	None
GAMA1106	Core Skills 3D: Character Creation	15	М	М	None	None
CODE xxxx	Optional modules offered by the Centre for Academic English and Skills/Institute of Education	15/30	0	N/A	None	None

Single Honours Requirements at Level 4

Single Honours students must take 120 credits in total drawn from the table above to include all mandatory modules, and 30 credits of optional modules. Optional modules can include 15 or 30 credits drawn from a range of modules in: Academic English for native and non-native speakers of English; and Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL). Details of the available modules can be found here https://www.worcester.ac.uk/life/help-and-support/centre-for-academic-english-and-skills/optional-modules.aspx

Joint Honours Requirements at Level 4

Joint Honours students must take the 60 credits of mandatory modules from the table above.

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GAMA2100	Advanced Character Creation	30	М	0	0	0	None	Excluded: GAMA2000, GAMA2004, ANIM2005																																																																															
GAMA2002	Game Art Environments	30	М	0	0	0	None	Excluded: GAMA2005																																																																															
GAMA2003	Production Design	15	М	0	0	0	None	None																																																																															
GAMA2008	Character Rigging and Motion Capture	15	0	0	0	0	None	GAMA2000																																																																															
GAMA2006	UI Design	15	0	0	0	0	GAMA1101 or GAMA1001	Excluded: GAMA2001																																																																															
GAMA2007	Game Development	15	0	0	0	0	GAMA1101 or GAMA1001	Excluded: GAMA2001																																																																															

Single Honours Requirements at Level 5

Single Honours students must take 120 credits in total, 90 of which must be drawn from the table above to include GAMA2100, GAMA2002 and GAMA2003, plus any other combination of 15 credit optional modules which can include up to 15/30 credits drawn from a range of modules in: Academic English for native and non-native speakers of English and Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL). Details of the available modules can be found here https://www.worcester.ac.uk/life/help-and-support/centre-for-academic-english-and-skills/optional-modules.aspx

Joint, Major and Minor Honours Requirements at Level 5

Students following Joint Honours pathways can adjust their studies at level 5 to take more modules in one subject or can maintain an equally balanced programme of modules in each subject. The precise award title (Joint Hons or Major/Minor Hons) depends on the total number of credit achieved in each subject at levels 5 and 6 – for further information see the table at the end of this document.

Major Pathway Requirements at Level 5

Major Pathway students must take at least 60 and no more than 90 credits from the table above to include GAMA2100 (30 credits) and/or GAMA2002 (30 credits). If taking more than 60 credits, additional optional modules from the 15 credit GAMA options above should be selected.

Joint Pathway Requirements at Level 5
Joint pathway students must take at least 45 credits and no more than 75 credits from the table above with any combination of modules

Minor Pathway Requirements at Level 5
Minor Pathway students must take at least 30 credits and no more than 60 credits from the table.

Level 6																																	
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			SH	Maj	JH	Min																											
GAMA3013	Pre-production practices	30	М	0	0	0	None	Excluded ANIM3013																									
GAMA3000	Game Art Individual Portfolio Project (Dissertation equivalent module)	30	М	М	0	N/A	None	To be taken in one semester.																									
GAMA3003	Professional Practice I	15	М	М	0	N/A	None	Excluded combination: DFPR3103, GDES3012, ILTN3009, CMED3011																									
GAMA3004	Group Game Development Project	30	0	0	0	0	None	None																									
GAMA3005	Supplementary Skills for Game Artists	15	0	0	0	0	None	None																									

Single Honours Requirements at Level 6

Single Honours students must take 120 credits from the table above to include GAMA3013, GAMA3000 and GAMA3003.

Joint, Major and Minor Honours Requirements at Level 6

Students following pathways in two subjects can adjust their studies at level 6 to take more modules in one subject or can maintain an equally balanced programme of modules in each subject. The precise award title (Joint Hons or Major/Minor Hons) depends on the total number of credit achieved in each subject at levels 5 and 6 – for further information see table at the end of this document.

Major Pathway Requirements at Level 6

Major Pathway students must take either 75 or 90 credits from the table above to include GAMA3000 (30 credits) and GAMA3003 (15 credits)

Joint Pathway Requirements at Level 6

Joint pathway students must take 45, 60 or 75 credits (to make at least 105 credits over levels 5 and 6 in the subject, and no more than 135 credits over levels 5 and 6 in the subject), from the table above to include *either* GAMA3000 (30 credits) *or* GAMA3004 (30 Credits) if taking 45 Credits in Game Art. If taking 60 or more credits, students may take *both* modules.

Joint pathway students who choose to take their Dissertation (or equivalent Project) in this subject must take GAMA3000.

Joint pathway students must take one Dissertation (or equivalent Project), either in this subject, in their other joint subject, or take JOIN3001 or JOIN 3002 where the Dissertation covers both joint subjects.

Minor Pathway Requirements at Level 6

Minor pathway students must take either 30 or 45 credits from the table.

Credit requirements for awards involving two subjects
In determining whether an award derived from two subjects is Joint Honours (subject 1 <u>and</u> subject 2) or Major/Minor Honours (subject 1 <u>with</u> subject 2) credits taken in each subject at levels 5 and 6 will count as follows:

Subject 1	Subject 2	Award
120	120	Joint Hons
135	105	Joint Hons
150	90	Major/minor Hons
165	75	Major/minor Hons
180	60	Major/minor Hons