Foundation Level Study

Build the skills, understanding and confidence to pursue the career you've dreamed of.

Whether you're looking for your next step after high school, or to change direction in your career, our foundation programmes will provide you with a way to explore your interests and define your future. These courses are designed to help grow a robust skillset in graphic design, animation, game design and more to carry into industry, or our wide selection of bachelor programmes.

Media Design School

3D ANIMATION AND GAME DEVELOPMENT

If you like game design, animation, or interactive storytelling, then the NZ Certificate in Arts and Design is your first step into a career in the world of entertainment media.

Kick-start your creative journey by exploring concept art, 3D design, game design, and animation. Work on fun, hands-on projects that help you develop your skills and bring your ideas to life. Whether you're preparing for further study or looking to break into the creative industries, this course is the perfect first step.

SOME OF WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

Concept Art
Gain the understanding of arts and design processes and drawing skills with a range of media including digital.

3D Design
Gain the understanding of designing, creating, and building basic 3D models that can be applied to a range of media formats.

Game Design
Gain fundamental knowledge of game design theory, game design principles, intellectual property, cultural appropriation and teamwork skills.
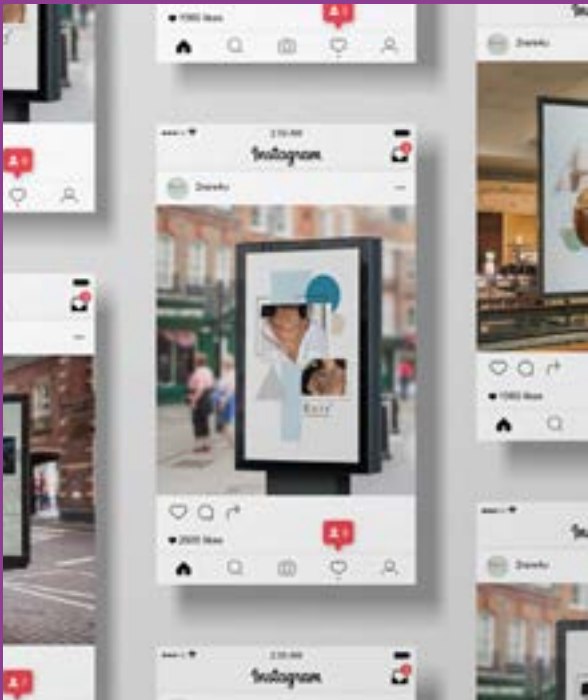
Animation
Gain knowledge of digital animation, animation principles, animation workflow and conveying meaning to a specific target audience.

"Being a part of the foundation level course was an awesome experience that helped me connect with a lot of like-minded people and prepared me for my Bachelor degree. It is tons of fun and a great way to get settled into uni life while giving you a lot of confidence going into further study"

Alex Emirali, Foundation level study graduate

Student work: Top - Weston Clayton, Botttom - Charlie Munro

BRANDING, WEB AND GRAPHIC DESIGN

The NZ Certificate in Digital Media and Design lets you explore the worlds of branding, web design, and multimedia content creation - preparing you for further studies.

Turn your creative ideas into digital designs that make an impact. Experiment with visual communication, web design, and multimedia to develop a strong foundation in digital media. If you're passionate about design and want to sharpen your skills, this is the perfect first step!

SOME OF WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

Visual Communication Design
Gain knowledge in a range of industry standard applications, visual research skills, design literacy skills, Elements and Principles of Design, industry practice standards and technical skills in a range of software applications.

Digital Design
Gain fundamental knowledge in front-end web design practices, including markup languages, HTML and CSS, W3C standards including accessibility standards.

Multimedia Design
Gain knowledge and skills to design and produce content for multimedia outputs, with consideration to effects, composition, quality content and audio.

Portfolio Design
Gain knowledge and skills to analyse, collate, create and present a portfolio.

Student work: Top - Pyper Terry, Middle - Caitlin Feasey, Bottom - Sharon Kumar

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

In order to be admitted to the NZ Certificate in Digital Media and Design (Level 4) qualification, applicants must provide evidence of the following:

- a Domestic Student; or
- an Australian citizen or Australian permanent resident currently residing in New Zealand
- and is 16 years of age or over

Details are subject to change. Please visit mediadesignschool.com for up-to-date and comprehensive course information, including dates and fees.

Adobe Creative Campus

Media Design School is an Adobe Creative Campus which comes with a variety of incredible benefits for our students including your own Adobe Creative Cloud Pro license for the duration of your studies!

To find out more about our Foundation level courses, get in contact with our team at **domestic@ mediadesignschool.com** or **international@ mediadesignschool.com** for international students.

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Cover student work: Ivy MacKenzie

CAN'T MAKE IT TO CENTRAL AUCKLAND?

Foundation level courses are also delivered through our satellite learning centres - in Whangārei at NGEN Room and South Auckland at the Cause Collective. Otherwise, you can learn online!

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