

3D Animation teaches students how to create their own animated 3D movie while also learning the fundamentals of animation. Using Blender®, a professional open-source 3D animation software, students use the same industry-standard techniques and workflows as animators in leading animation studios. By the end of the course, students will complete an incredible 3D Animation that they created from scratch.

This is a project-based course where students take on the role of creator. In addition to technical skills, students develop the creative, critical thinking, and problem-solving skills necessary to build amazing projects from start to finish. Throughout the course, students work with industry-standard tools used by professionals. If they need any help along the way with their coursework or projects, students can reach out to experts for support by e-mail, chat, or phone.

By the end of this course, students will have built an original, professional-grade project and developed the knowledge, skills, and confidence to become creators on their own, in further study, or professionally.

#### **Course Materials**

All required materials are included with this course.

Length: One semester

#### **UNIT 1: WELCOME TO 3D ANIMATION**

#### **LESSON 1: INTRO TO BLENDER**

#### Study: Intro to Blender

Navigate in 3D and how to take the course.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

# Review: Intro to Blender Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 0 points

### **LESSON 2: BLENDER BLUNDERS**

# **Study: Blender Blunders**

Conquer the most common Blender blunders.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

#### **Review: Blender Blunders Review**

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### **LESSON 3: WRAP UP**

#### **Practice: Troubleshooting**

Fix a broken file.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 15 points

## Quiz: Quiz

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

#### **Explore: Bonus Content**

Explore extra content from the unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 0 points

## **UNIT 2: GET THE BALL ROLLING**

### **LESSON 1: YOUR FIRST KEYFRAMES**

#### Study: Your First Keyframes

Move a ball across the stage.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

# Review: Your First Keyframes Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### **LESSON 2: GET THE BALL ROLLING**

## Study: Get the Ball Rolling

Animate the ball's rotation to make it look like it's rolling.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

#### Review: Get the Ball Rolling Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### **LESSON 3: BOUNCING**

#### **Study: Bouncing**

Use the graph editor to make a ball bounce across the stage.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

## **Review: Bouncing Review**

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 0 points

### **LESSON 4: WRAP UP**

## **Practice: Troubleshooting**

Fix a broken file.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 15 points

## Quiz: Quiz

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

## **UNIT 3: ENTER NOBBIE**

# **LESSON 1: INT RODUCING NOBBIE**

## Study: Introducing Nobbie

Animate Nobbie as he bounces into the scene.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

## **Review: Introducing Nobbie Review**

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 0 points

## **LESSON 2: FLIP OUT**

# Study: Flip Out

Make Nobbie flip over the ball.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

## **Review: Flip Out Review**

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### **LESSON 3: SET THE SCENE**

#### Study: Set the Scene

Design the set for the animation to make a scene.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

#### Review: Set the Scene Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### **LESSON 4: WRAP UP**

## **Practice: Troubleshooting**

Fix a broken file.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 15 points

#### Quiz: Quiz

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

## **Explore: Bonus Content**

Explore extra content from the unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 0 points

## **Project: Checkpoint**

Upload your course project for review.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 30 points

# **UNIT 4: LET'S PLAY BALL**

## **LESSON 1: DODGEBALL**

## Study: Dodgeball

Animate the ball hitting Nobbie in head.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

#### **Review: Dodgeball Review**

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### **LESSON 2: THE BIG BALL**

### Study: The Big Ball

Animate a giant ball chasing Nobbie off scene.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

# Review: The Big Ball Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 0 points

# **LESSON 3: WRAP UP**

# **Practice: Troubleshooting**

Fix a broken file.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 15 points

# Quiz: Quiz

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

# **UNIT 5: MORE BONES**

# **LESSON 1: THE DOPE SHEET**

# **Study: The Dope Sheet**

Add head wobbles to Nobbie's bounces.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

## Review: The Dope Sheet Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### **LESSON 2: EYES WIDE OPEN**

# Study: Eyes Wide Open

Animate Nobbie's reactions using his head and eye bones.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

#### Review: Eyes Wide Open Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### **LESSON 3: BLINKING**

#### Study: Blinking

Make Nobbie Blink throughout the animation.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

## **Review: Blinking Review**

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### **LESSON 4: WRAP UP**

#### **Practice: Troubleshooting**

Fix a broken file.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 15 points

#### Quiz: Quiz

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

### **Explore: Bonus Content**

Explore extra content from the unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 0 points

### **UNIT 6: SET THE SCENE**

## **LESSON 1: A WHOLE NEW SCENE**

## Study: A Whole New Scene

Set up scene two with Nobbie, a new set, and camera.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

# Review: A Whole New Scene Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 0 points

# **LESSON 2: COMPOSTING 101**

# **Study: Composting 101**

Set up some compositing for the scene.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

## **Review: Composting 101 Review**

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### **LESSON 3: TURNING THE CORNER**

# Study: Turning the Corner

Animate Nobbie dodging the rolling ball.

#### Review: Turning the Corner Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### **LESSON 4: WRAP UP**

#### **Practice: Troubleshooting**

Fix a broken file.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 15 points

#### Quiz: Quiz

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

## **Project: Checkpoint**

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# **UNIT 7: PILLARS AND PENDULUMS**

#### **LESSON 1: THE PILLARS OF ANIMATION**

## Study: The Pillars of Animation

Animate Nobbie jumping from three falling pillars.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

## Review: The Pillars of Animation Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### **LESSON 2: SWINGING PENDULUMS**

### **Study: Swinging Pendulums**

Animate pendulums swinging.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

## Review: Swinging Pendulums Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### **LESSON 3: THE PENDULUM DANCE**

## Study: The Pendulum Dance

Move Nobbie through swinging pendulums.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

## Review: The Pendulum Dance Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 0 points

## **LESSON 4: WRAP UP**

# **Practice: Troubleshooting**

Fix a broken file.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 15 points

# Quiz: Quiz

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

# **UNIT 8: SWING SET**

## **LESSON 1: HOP ON!**

# Study: Hop On!

Make Nobbie hop onto a swing by constraining him.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

### Review: Hop On! Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### **LESSON 2: IN THE SWING OF THINGS**

## Study: In the Swing of Things

Animate swing higher and higher.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

# Review: In the Swing of Things Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### **LESSON 3: FLYING OFF THE HANDLE**

## Study: Flying off the Handle

Remove Nobbie's constraints to exit the swing.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

#### Review: Flying off the Handle Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### **LESSON 4: WRAP UP**

#### **Practice: Troubleshooting**

Fix a broken file.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 15 points

### Quiz: Quiz

Take a guiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

### **UNIT 9: HOME STRETCH**

## **LESSON 1: THE BIG BALL IS BACK**

# Study: The Big Ball is Back

Add a giant ball chasing Nobbie.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

# Review: The Big Ball is Back Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 0 points

# **LESSON 2: LEAP OF FAITH**

# Study: Leap of Faith

Animate Nobbie leaping over chasm.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

## Review: Leap of Faith Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### **LESSON 3: WOBBLES ALL AROUND**

# Study: Wobbles All Around

Animate the head wobbles in scene two.

#### Review: Wobbles All Around Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### **LESSON 4: WRAP UP**

## **Practice: Troubleshooting**

Fix a broken file.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 15 points

## Quiz: Quiz

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

#### **Explore: Bonus Content**

Explore extra content from the unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 0 points

## **UNIT 10: CAMERAS**

## **LESSON 1: CAMERA ANIMATION**

#### **Study: Camera Animation**

Animate the camera as it follows Nobbie in scene two.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

#### **Review: Camera Animation Review**

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### **LESSON 2: WOBBLES N' SHAKES**

## Study: Wobbles n' Shakes

Add natural wobbles and shakes to the camera.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

#### Review: Wobbles n' Shakes Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### **LESSON 3: CALLING ALL CAMERAS**

## **Study: Calling All Cameras**

Add cameras and switch between them in your animation.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

### **Review: Calling All Cameras Review**

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 0 points

## **LESSON 4: WRAP UP**

# **Practice: Troubleshooting**

Fix a broken file.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 15 points

# Quiz: Quiz

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

# **UNIT 11: TIE IT ALL TOGETHER**

# **LESSON 1: OPENING CREDITS**

# **Study: Opening Credits**

Add a title and name to your animation.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

### **Review: Opening Credits Review**

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 0 points

## **LESSON 2: THE FINAL SEQUENCE**

#### Study: The Final Sequence

Tie the scenes together and add some music.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

# Review: The Final Sequence Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 0 points

# **LESSON 3: WRAP UP**

# **Practice: Troubleshooting**

Fix a broken file.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 15 points

#### Quiz: Quiz

Take a guiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

## **UNIT 12: EXPORT AND SHARE**

#### **LESSON 1: STANDARDS OF EXCELLENCE**

## Study: Standards of Excellence

Create a professional animation.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

#### **LESSON 2: RENDER, BLENDER**

## Project: Render, Blender

Upload your course project for review.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 200 points

## **UNIT 13: ADVANCED TOPICS**

# **LESSON 1: SLOW MOTION**

## **Study: Slow Motion**

Create slow motion in your scene.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

# **LESSON 2: PARENTING A HAT**

# Study: Parenting a Hat

Learn how to parent a hat.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

### **LESSON 3: CREATING A NEW ANIMATION**

## Study: Creating a New Animation

Create a new animation from scratch.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points