

In 3D Game Development, students learn the fundamentals of Coding in C# and game development skills by using Unity®, an industry-standard tool. Students will design their own custom video game just like the pros.

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 GAME DEVELOPMENT

LESSON 1: CHOOSE YOUR CHARACTER

Study: Choose Your Character

Choose a fully playable character in your game that you can control.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Review: Choose Your Character Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 0 points

LESSON 2: PLAYER MATERIALS

Study: Player Materials

Create a custom character with new materials and armor.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Review: Player Materials Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 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 2: WORLD DESIGN

LESSON 1: GROUND AND SKY

Study: Ground and Sky

Choose the setting for your game by designing the ground and the sky.

Review: Ground and Sky Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 0 points

LESSON 2: MODEL MULTIPLICATION

Study: Model Multiplication

Fill the world to the brim with manmade and natural objects.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Review: Model Multiplication Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 0 points

LESSON 3: FAST GRASS

Study: Fast Grass

Cover the ground with grass and make it sway gently in the breeze.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Review: Fast Grass Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 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 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

UNIT 3: COIN COLLECTOR

LESSON 1: VARIABLE COINS

Study: Variable Coins

Write your first few lines of code to add some coins and track how many the player's collected.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Review: Variable Coins Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 0 points

LESSON 2: CONDITIONAL CASH

Study: Conditional Cash

Display a message in the HUD when the player picks up their first coin.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Review: Conditional Cash Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 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 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Project: Checkpoint

Present your course project for review.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 30 points

UNIT 4: A REAL CHARACTER

LESSON 1: METHOD OF DIALOG

Study: Method of Dialog

Use methods and parameters to make the NPC say a few words to the player.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Review: Method of Dialog Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 0 points

LESSON 2: TRUE POWER-UP

Study: True Power-Up

Add a double-jump powerup to your game.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Review: True Power-Up Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 0 points

LESSON 3: IF-ELSE INT ELLIGENCE

Study: If-Else Intelligence

Use logic to make the NPC more intelligent.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Review: If-Else Intelligence Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 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 5: ENEMY TERRITORY

LESSON 1: NEW VIEW OF AREA TWO

Study: New View of Area Two

Double the size of your world as you design a completely new area.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Review: New View of Area Two Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 0 points

LESSON 2: ENEMIES COLLIDE

Study: Enemies Collide

Add a hostile enemy to your game and customize its behavior.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Review: Enemies Collide Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 0 points

LESSON 3: RANGE ATTACK

Study: Range Attack

Add an enemy with a range attack that will launch projectiles at the player.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Review: Range Attack Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 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 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

UNIT 6: LIGHT AND PARTICLES

LESSON 1: PARTICULAR PARTICLES

Study: Particular Particles

Customize some particle systems in your game.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Review: Particular Particles Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 0 points

LESSON 2: LIGHTING THE WAY

Study: Lighting the Way

Modify the look and feel of your game as you cast some light on the world.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Review: Lighting the Way Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 0 points

LESSON 3: WRAP UP

Practice: Troubleshooting

Fix a broken file.

Quiz: Quiz

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Project: Checkpoint

Present your project for review.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 30 points

UNIT 7: QUEST FOR POWER

LESSON 1: QUEST: COMPLETE

Study: Quest: Complete

Keep track of the number of enemies remaining and only let the player move on when they've defeated them all.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Review: Quest: Complete Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 0 points

LESSON 2: ACTIVATE POWER-UP

Study: Activate Power-Up

Reward the player with a new spin attack, but only if they've earned it.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Review: Activate Power-Up Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 0 points

LESSON 3: A CINEMATIC CUTSCENE

Study: A Cinematic Cutscene

Create a special cutscene to reveal to the player their brand new powerup.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Review: A Cinematic Cutscene Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 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 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

UNIT 8: PLATFORMING PLAYGROUND

LESSON 1: WIDE OPEN WORLD

Study: Wide Open World

Gather all your skills together to design a brand new area of your game.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Review: Wide Open World Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 0 points

LESSON 2: HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

Study: Hazardous Materials

Add new volumes and hazards to slow down the player.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Review: Hazardous Materials Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 0 points

LESSON 3: PREFAB MATERIALS

Study: Prefab Materials

Add three brand new prefabs for level three.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Review: Prefab Materials Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 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 9: THE FINAL ASCENT

LESSON 1: MOVING PLATFORMS

Study: Moving Platforms

Design a terrifying moving platform challenge up the side of an epic final tower.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Review: Moving Platforms Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 0 points

LESSON 2: PREPARE FOR LAUNCH

Study: Prepare for Launch

Throw the player around a bit to make their ascent up the tower a little more exhilarating.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Review: Prepare for Launch Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 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 10: ENEMY WAVES

LESSON 1: WAVE TO THE LOOP

Study: Wave to the Loop

Create a new SpawnWave method that will summon a horde of enemies when it's called.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Review: Wave to the Loop Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 0 points

LESSON 2: VARIABLE DIFFICULTY

Study: Variable Difficulty

Call a series of increasingly difficult waves of enemies.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Review: Variable Difficulty Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 0 points

LESSON 3: ENDING SEQUENCE

Study: Ending Sequence

Trigger the game's ending sequence after a certain number of waves.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Review: Ending Sequence Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 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: TITLE AND SOUNDTRACK

LESSON 1: LISTEN TO THE MUSIC

Study: Listen to the Music

Add ambient sounds and background music to really set the mood of your game.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Review: Listen to the Music Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 0 points

LESSON 2: NAME OF THE GAME

Study: Name of the Game

Give your game a name and add it to a beautiful new title screen.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Review: Name of the Game Review

Review key concepts and skills from the lesson.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 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 12: GAME OVER

LESSON 1: STANDARDS OF EXCELLENCE

Study: Standards of Excellence

Assure your game is up to the standards of excellence.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

LESSON 2: UPLOAD AND BUILD

Project: Upload and Build

Upload your course project for review.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 200 points

UNIT 13: ADVANCED TOPICS

LESSON 1: MAKING A SCENE TWO

Study: Making a Scene Two

Set up an additional scene.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

LESSON 2: ADD YOUR MODELS TO UNITY

Study: Add Your Models to Unity

Integrate 3D models into the Unity game engine.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

LESSON 3: CUST OMIZE A CHARACTER

Study: Customize a Character

Customize a 3D character model.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points