### THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW SOUTH WALES COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS

SCHOOL OF ART BACHELOR OF DIGITAL MEDIA

COURSE OUTLINE MULTIMEDIA AUTHORING

2001

**SART2607** 

UOC4 HPW3 S1 or S2

#### **COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

Multimedia authoring provides the platform for student to combine the media of sound, text, images moving and still. Interactive events are planned and structured, notions of the linear and non-linear are addressed. This multimedia-authoring course utilises, multiple software programs and seeks the creative development of interactive and animated media outcomes. The pre requisite for Multimedia Authoring is Web Authoring.

### COURSE CONTENT:

This course extends and develops student's creative skills and apperception of the MultiMedia authoring process. The course content covers understanding and working within a specific authoring environment and how to plan and produce digital screen based Interactives.

#### **COURSE OBJECTIVES:**

Gain an overview of technology currently used in Multimedia authoring. Understand and use in context multimedia terminology. Understand and appreciate the nature of navigation metaphors and human computer interface perception in computer based context. Appreciate the constraints of computer hardware, processing and storage. The student will be expected to achieve a proficiency in basic multimedia authoring techniques. In conjunction with the above, it is expected that the student will continue to develop a keen critical awareness of contemporary visual imaging practice and issues, central to the production of their work.

### ASSESSMENT:

To qualify for a passing grade all students must complete all set work, which is to be submitted on time. Where absences in excess of three (3) classes occur, students may be given a fail grade. Students must be punctual and participate in all class activities. The student should be expected to show evidence of the achievement of the course's objectives.

### Weekly schedule:

### Week 1 Lecture

Subject outline /Assessment Policy Projects outlined. Introduction to MacroMedia Director

**Tutorial** 

Introduction to simple elements and their representations

### Week 2 Lecture

Introduction to internal tool set.

**Tutorial** 

#### Week 3 Lecture

Introduction to various manipulation techniques.

**Tutorial** 

### Week 4 Lecture

Introduction to various media elements.

**Tutorial** 

### Week 5 Lecture

Introduction of basic programming structures.

**Tutorial** 

# Week 6 Lecture

Introduction to Scripting language and hierarchies.

**Tutorial** 

# Week 7 Presentation and critical evaluation.(project 1 due)

### Week 8 Lecture

Using lists and Multiple casts

**Tutorial** 

# Week 9 Lecture

Using Lingo on the Web, Shockwave

**Tutorial** 

# Week 10 Lecture

Text and Fields

**Tutorial** 

## Week 11 Lecture

**Optimising Code** 

**Tutorial** 

### Week 12 Lecture

Optimising code

**Tutorial** 

### Week 13 Lecture

Runtime & projectors

**Tutorial** 

### Week 14

Presentation and critical evaluation Project 2

Consultation will normally be by appointment.

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# **BACKUP ALL YOUR WORK**

**Note** You will need to acquire removable cartridges to store files generated during the semester. Diligently backup all work (that is important to you) at regular intervals. **IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO BACK UP ALL YOUR WORK!** Extensions of time for assignments will not be granted to students who lose work through software/ hardware /operator error.

### References

Director 8 and lingo bible Director in a Nutshell Lingo in a Nutshell

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