Digital Creature Animation – Technical Direction

Ontario College Graduate Certificate Program

Program Code: **PCDCA**

Trafalgar Road Campus

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Program Eligibility

- Sheridan's Computer Animation Program
  or
- A post-secondary diploma or degree in art and/or design,
  or
- Demonstrated competence through relevant educational and/or work experience

Credentials earned at less than the equivalent of an Ontario College Diploma will not be considered as having met the academic entrance requirements without relevant work experience.

A thorough understanding of 3D CG modeling, rigging, texturing and lighting (Maya or Houdini preferred) as well as basic character animation skills are essential factors to qualify for this program.

Applicants who do not demonstrate the education or work experience application qualifications or who fail to demonstrate minimally acceptable technical and animation requirements in their portfolio may not have their full portfolio reviewed, which may result in a score of 0.

Selection Process for Applicants

Eligible applicants are selected on the basis of:

- Portfolio
- Breakdown
- Resume

Applicants selected for the program will be notified through their Sheridan email account. Decisions will not be released over the phone. Fee, registration and timetable information will follow. Classes for the Fall term begin Tuesday September 8, 2026.

You will be required to submit a portfolio, breakdown and resume online. The deadline to submit portfolios for the first round of assessment is February 20, 2026. After this date, assessments will be made on a first-come, first-served basis for the remaining available seats. It's in your best interest to submit your documents prior to the first-round assessment date, as seats can fill quickly.

Academic Integrity

By submitting your Admission Requirements, you are agreeing to comply with Sheridan's Academic Integrity Policy. The Academic Integrity Policy states:

Sheridan College is committed to upholding the highest standards of academic integrity. The International Centre for Academic Integrity (ICAI) defines academic integrity as "a commitment, even in the face of adversity, to six fundamental values: honesty, trust, fairness, respect, responsibility, and courage. From these values flow principles of behavior that enable academic communities to translate ideals into action".

Applicants who are found to have falsified transcripts, cheated on admission tests, or submitted fraudulent documents or in any other way attempted to circumvent the admissions process in a manner inconsistent with the principles of academic integrity, will not be granted admission to the College. Those applicants will be ineligible for admission to any Sheridan program or course for a period of not less than 5 years, after which admission to the College will be reviewed on a case- by-case basis.

For programs where a portfolio submission is required as part of the admission process, portfolio work should represent an applicant's own ideas, writing, projects and creations. Where others have contributed, or non-original ideas have been included, applicants will give proper recognition and reference. Applicants are not allowed to use advanced automated tools (artificial intelligence or machine learning tools such as ChatGPT) for written or visual components of portfolio submissions.

Additional Admission Requirements

PORTFOLIO

- Images and/or videos of applicant's work (minimum of 5 and maximum of 20)

- Image file format: JPEG or PNG less than 5 MB each

- Video file format: MP4 or MOV less than 200 MB each

- **Guidelines:**

  Portfolio must demonstrate the following

  1. A comprehensive understanding of animation principles as applied to character performance and physical motion in computer animation.
  2. 3D software skills (Maya or Houdini preferred)
     a. Character Rigging
     b. Animation
     c. Modeling
     d. Lighting/Rendering

BREAKDOWN

Document that should clearly explain the artistic and technical development process of the work done by the applicant on each image/video submitted in portfolio.

- PDF file

RESUME

- Maximum 3 pages
- PDF File

Note:

➢ Portfolios will not be reviewed or critiqued by faculty until the applicant has formally applied for the program.

Additional Information

- **Check your Sheridan email account frequently.** Many of the communications you receive from Sheridan come to you exclusively via your Sheridan email account.

- If you have any additional questions, please visit our [Service Hub Customer Service Portal](#) — your one-stop destination for getting help, finding answers, and staying connected. Alternatively, most questions can be answered by consulting with our [chatbot](#).