



COMP220: Graphics & Simulation  
**7: Lighting**



# Worksheet Schedule

<b>Worksheet</b>	<b>Start</b>	<b>Formative deadline</b>
1: Framework	Week 2	Mon <b>15th Feb</b> 4pm (Week 4)
2: Basic scene	Week 4	Mon <b>1st Mar</b> 4pm (Week 6)
3: Plan/prototype	Week 6	Mon <b>15th Mar</b> 4pm (Week 8)
4: Final iteration	Week 8	Mon <b>12th Apr</b> 4pm (Week 10)

# Learning outcomes

By the end of this week, you should be able to:

- ▶ **Explain** the Blinn-Phong illumination model
- ▶ **Describe** how effects such as normal mapping can be used to enhance appearance
- ▶ **Implement** basic lighting effects in your scene

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- ▶ Workshop (sync):
  - ▶ **Create** a light source and use it to illuminate objects in the scene.
  - ▶ **Recap** and **extend** the use of uniforms to pass data to shaders.

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16:00-16:10	Arrival, sign-in & overview
16:10-16:40	Demo & Exercise: Let There be (a) Light
16:40-17:00	More on Uniforms
17:00-18:00	Exercise: Experimenting with lights

# More on uniforms



# Uniform structs

In GLSL:

```
struct Light {  
    vec3 dir;  
    vec3 colour;  
};  
uniform Light light;  
  
// ... //  
vec3 lightNorm = normalize(light.dir); // etc.
```

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In C++:

```
unsigned int lightDirLoc =  
    glGetUniformLocation(programID, "light.dir");  
unsigned int lightColourLoc =  
    glGetUniformLocation(programID, "light.colour");  
  
// ... //  
glUniform3f(lightDirLoc, 0.0f, 1.0f, 0.0f);  
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In C++:

```
float lightValues[] = {
    -0.5, 0.7, 1.0, // lightDir
    0.0f,           // padding for alignment
    0.2, 0.6, 0.0  // lightColour
};

GLuint bindingPoint = 1, uniformBuffer, blockIndex;
blockIndex = glGetUniformLocation(programID, "LightBlock");
glUniformBlockBinding(programID, blockIndex, bindingPoint);

 glGenBuffers(1, &uniformBuffer);
 glBindBuffer(GL_UNIFORM_BUFFER, uniformBuffer);
 glBufferData(GL_UNIFORM_BUFFER, sizeof(lightValues),
              lightValues, GL_STATIC_DRAW);
 glBindBufferBase(GL_UNIFORM_BUFFER, bindingPoint,
                 uniformBuffer);
```