

Studien- und Prüfungsordnung des Studiengangs Games & Immersive Media B.A.

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Grundsätzliches

- · Name: Games & Immersive Media
- Abschlussbezeichnung: Bachelor of Arts
- Fächergruppe: Kunst, Musik, Gestaltung
- Studienbereich: VIII. 2 Neue Medien
- Grundstudium 2 Semester, Hauptstudium 5 Semester
- 210 ECTS
- 5. Semester ist Praxissemester
- Projektorientierung
- Vordringlich Blockunterricht
- Bilingual Deutsch/Englisch, Englischanteil > 50% angestrebt
- Dedizierte Räume für Kohorten
- Auslandssemester wird empfohlen und unterstützt
- Die Ordnung wurde inhaltsgetrieben erstellt. Um die zu erwartenden und konzipierten Lasten korrekt darstellen zu können, wurde neben der Auszeichnung nach Eckwertepapier (ECK) auch die Auszeichnung nach Akkreditierungsverordnung (ECTS) vorgenommen.

Qualifikationsziele

Section 1: Professional Skills

- Strong expertise in designing and implementing visual arts, software, sound, and interactive elements.
- In-depth knowledge and abilities in team management, production, and marketing.
- Comprehensive theoretical understanding of media design and technology.
- Experience in collaborating with diverse teams on multiple projects using agile methodologies.

Section 2: Interdisciplinary Skills

- Ability to effectively work within multicultural teams in both German and English.
- Sensitivity to the societal impact of the development and utilization of games and immersive media.
- Competence and self-assurance in employing complex technologies in creative and artistic contexts.

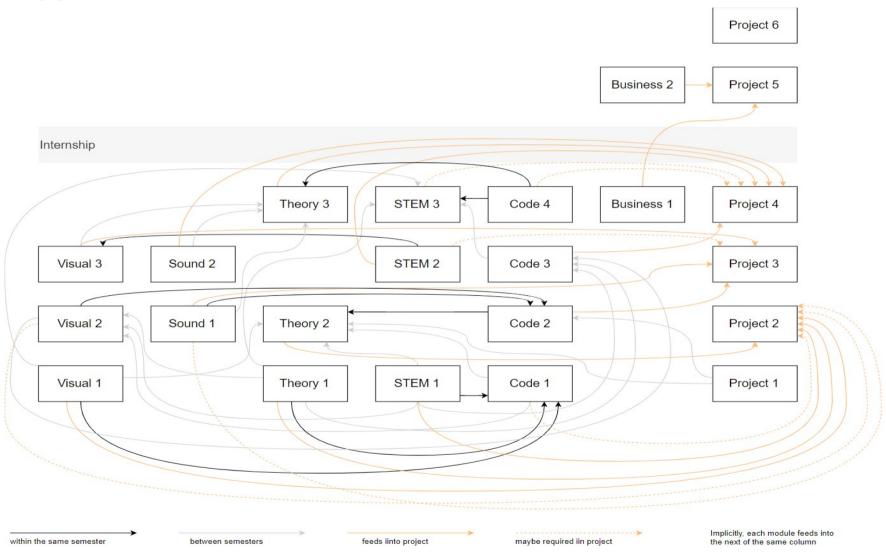
Section 3: Career-Oriented Goals

- Robust foundation for pursuing various careers in the gaming industry.
- Strong groundwork for exploring diverse professions within immersive media outside the gaming sector.
- Opportunities for further specialization in chosen fields such as computer science, media technologies, digital asset creation, media management, and media design.

Überblick

S27							Elective 3 & 4 2 * 6 All	Project 6 18 eg All - Bachelor Thesis - Thesis Seminar
W26						Business 2 6 4NN	Elective 1 & 2 2 * 6 All	Project 5 12 eg 3All - Complex Digital Project
S26				Inte	rnship			
W25			Theory 3 5.6 eg 4NN	STEM 3 5:6 e 2GR,2UH	Code 4 5:6 e 2RL,2JA,2SH	Business 1 5:6 4NN		Project 4 10:6 eg 3All - Advanced Digital Project
S25		Sound 2 5:6 eg 4NN (Tross)		STEM 2 5:6 e(g) 4TSr	Code 3 5.6 e 2UH, 2CM			Project 3 10:6 eg 3All - Simple Digital Project
W24		Sound 1 5:6 eg 4NS	Theory 2 5:6 e 2JD,2TSr		Code 2 5:6 e 4JD			Project 2 10:6 eg 3All - Physical Game
S24	Visual 1 6 eg 2CF,4NN		Theory 1 6 g(e) 4TSI	STEM 1 6 e(g) 2RL,1UH.1TSr	Code 1 6 e 3JD,1RR			Project 1 6 eg 2KH,2UH - Entry Project

Abhängigkeiten



Sound 1 Norbert Schnell

Content

- Basics of sound, listening and sonic interaction
- Basics of acoustics and psychoaoustics
- Basics of digital audio (in sound and music processing)
- Interactive audio tools
- Spatial/immersive audio techniques
- Techniques of interactive audio design

Lecturer

• Norbert Schnell (4 SWS)

Credits

• 5 ECTS / 6 ECK

Language

• German / English

Teaching

- Seminar
- preferably 3 week block

Assessment

• 1 sbA

Sound 2 Norbert Schnell

Content

- Basics of sound design
- Foley and sound effects
- Sound libraries
- Music genres
- Music and emotion
- Music in context
- Music analysis
- Basics of composition (rhythm, melody, harmony)
- Basics of instrumentation and orchestration

Lecturer

• NN HfM Trossingen (4 SWS)

Credits

• 5 ECTS / 6 ECK

Language

• German / English

Teaching

- Seminar / eduScrum
- preferably 3 week block

Assessment

• 1 sbA

STEM 1 Thomas Schneider

Module STEM 1

Contents:

Geometry / Linear Algebra / Graphical projections:

- Geometry of 2D and 3D:
- Coordinates of Points and Vectors
- Change of Coordinate Frames
- Systems of Linear Equations
- Metric Spaces: Distances, Lengths, Angles
- Matrices and Linear Transformations
- Homogeneous Coordinates
- Matrices and Affine Transformations
- Graphical Representations of 3D Objects
- Parallel / Axonometric Projections
- Linear Perspective: Image Construction using Desargues' Theorem
- Points at Infinity and Vanishing Points
- Projection Matrices: Unified Approach

- Thomas Schneider, Ruxandra Lasowskis, Uwe Hahne
- Adjunct Lecturer(s)

Credit Point Assignments:

6 ECTS/ECK

Language

- English
- German upon consensual request of all participants

Teaching Format:

• Seminar (15 weeks plus exam period)

Assessment:

- 1 sbA (Practical Work)
- 1K (Final Examination)

Lecturers

STEM 2 Thomas Schneider

Module STEM 2

Contents:

- Foundations
- Basic Calculus
- Parametrized Curves in 2D and 3D
- Elements of Kinematics
- Dynamical Systems
- Deterministic Models, Differential Equations
- Setting up and Evalutating Models for Example Systems
- Project Work: Visualization of the Behavior of Simple Systems by Means of Web Applications
- Foundations of Camera Optics
- Paraxial Ray Tracing
- Camera Lenses and their cardinal points
- Focus, Magnification, Depth of Focus
- Comparison: Optical Properties of the Human Eye vs. Camera Optics

Physics Engines

Lecturers

- Thomas Schneider
- Adjunct Lecturer(s)

Credit Point Assignments:

5 credit points (ECTS) / 6 credit point (ECK)

Language

- English
- German upon consensual request of all participants

Teaching Format:

Seminar

Three-Week Block

Assessment:

- 1 sbA (Practical Work)
- 1 sbK (Final Examination)

STEM 3 Uwe Hahne

Contents

- Practical electronics and signal processing
- Physical Computing
- Computer Vision for Extended Reality (XR)
- IoT, Tangible Interfaces

Lecturers

- 2SWS Gabriel Rausch
- 2SWS Uwe Hahne

Points

- 5 ECTS
- 6 ECK

Language

• English

Teaching

- Seminar / eduScrum
- preferably 3 week block

Assessment

• 1 sbA (small project with hardware)

Prerequisites	Obtained in
Foundations of digital information and graphics processing (Bits, Bytes, Pixel, Colorcodes, Bitmaps, etc.)	Theory1
Foundations of physics, basic calculus (differentiation)	STEM2
Foundations of hardware architectures (CPU, GPU)	Code3
Linear algebra	STEM1
Fundamental UI-Design	Visual1
Some knowledge of Human-Computer- Interaction	Theory1
Basic Machine Learning concepts	Code4

Theory 1 Thomas Schlegel

Theory 1

- Computer Science & Computing Introduction
- Interactive Systems
- Human Computer Interaction & User-Centered Design
- Cognition and Perception

Contents

- Why Computer Science?
- Current Research and Technology
- History of the Computer
- Technology Hardware, von Neumann
- Computer Science Basics: Bits & Bytes, Pixels
- Boolean Logic
- Perception (Visual, Auditive and Haptic), including Colors
- Cognition and Memory
- HCI topics
- User-Centered Design & User-Centered Design Process

Lecturers

• 5 SWS Thomas Schlegel

Points

• 6 ECTS

Language

• German (English on Request)

Teaching

- Seminar
- 3 week block or semester lecture

Assessment

• 1sbK

Theory 2 Jirka Dell'Oro-Friedl

Contents

Seminar 1: Game Design

- Game Studies
- Design Graphs
- Design Methodologies

Seminar 2: Probability and Strategy

- Elementary Combinatorics
- Finite Probability Spaces: Examples
- Bernoulli Processes and Binomial Distributions
- Expected Value and Variance
- Conditional Probabilities, Bayes' Theorem
- Game Theory
- Strategy

Lecturers

- Seminar 1: 2SWS Jirka Dell'Oro-Friedl
- Seminar 2: 2SWS Thomas Schneider

Points

- 5 ECTS
- 6 ECK

Language

• English

Teaching

- Seminar / eduScrum
- preferably 3 week block

Assessment

• Seminar 1: 1sbK (e-Test)

• Seminar 2: 1sbKO

Prerequisites Obtained in

Theory 1 Theory 1

Visualization, Storyboarding Visual1

Design graphs Code1, Code2

Design Thinking Management1

Perspective Visual1, STEM1

Theory 3 N.N.

Contents

- Level Design
- Mission Design
- Narrative Design
- Storytelling
- Environmental
- UX-Design

Lecturers

• 4SWS NN

Points

- 5 ECTS
- 6 ECK

Language

• English

Teaching

- Seminar / eduScrum
- preferably 3 week block

Assessment

• 1sbK (e-Test)

Prerequisites Obtained in

Theory 2 Theory 2

Sound1, Sound2 Sound1, Sound2

Visual1, Visual2, Visual3 Visual1, Visual2, Visual3

Game AI Code4

Multiplayer Code4

Assessment

• 1 sbA

Visual 1 Christian Fries

Contents

- Draft and sketching
- Figurative thinking
- Storyboard
- Color theory and practical application
- Visual Character-Developement
- UI-Design-Basics

Lecturers

- 2 SWS Christian Fries
- 4 SWS nn

Points

• 6 ECTS / ECK

Language

• German / English

Teaching

- Seminar
- preferably 3 week block

Visual 2 Christoph Müller

- 3D Modeling
- Box Modeling
- Sculpting
- Poly Modeling/Polygon Flow
- Retopology
- Materials Lights and Texturing
- UV Unwinding
- Texture painting
- Normal Mapping
- Material generation for Game Engines
- Light and Material
- Character
- From Concept Art to 3D-Primitive Block-Out
- Animation Basics
- Keyframe Animation
- Path Animation
- From Models to Assets
- Modeling for Realtime Engines
- Materials for Realtime Engines

Lecturers

- 2 SWS Christoph Müller
- 2 SWS NN

Points

• 5 ECTS / ECK

Language

• English

Teaching

- Seminar / eduScrum
- preferably 3 week block

Assessment 1 sbA (small project: from concept art to game engine asset)

Prerequisites
Obtained in
Creating Concept Art
Visual 1
Basic understanding of media file formats,
especially Pixel and vector formats
Obtained in
Code 1 / Theory 1

Basic understanding of 3D Vectors, Normals, STEM 1

Dot Product

Visual 3 Christoph Müller

- Advanced Material and Shading
- 3D-Animation (Realtime)
- Non-linear animation
- Animation State-machines
- Animation Blending
- Combining Physics and scripted Animation
- Character Animation
- Rigging
- Forward / Inverse Kinematics
- Walk Cycles
- Visual Design
- 2D Animation

Lecturers

- 1 SWS Regina Reusch
- 2 SWS Christoph Müller
- 1 SWS NN

Points

• 5 ECTS / ECK

Language

• English

Teaching

- Seminar / eduScrum
- preferably 3 week block

Assessment 1 sbA (small project: simple animated character)

Prerequisites Obtained in

Concept Art Visual 1

3D Modelling for Realtime Visual 2

Basic understanding of physical facts (mass, force, velocity, acceleration)

Management1 N.N.

Contents

- Producing
- Quality Management
- User Research
- Community Management
- Financial calculation

Lecturers

• 4SWS NN

Points

- 5 ECTS
- 6 ECK

Language

• ?

Teaching

- Seminar / eduScrum
- preferably 3 week block

Assessment

• 1sbK (e-Test)

Prerequisites

Obtained in

Management2 N.N.

Contents

- Publishing
- Entrepreneurship
- Monetization
- Marketing
- Lifecycle Management

Lecturers

• 4SWS NN

Points

• 6 ECTS / ECK

Language

• ?

Teaching

- Seminar / eduScrum
- preferably 3 week block

Assessment

• 1sbK (e-Test)

Prerequisites

Obtained in

Code1 Jirka Dell'Oro-Friedl

Contents

- Creative Coding
- Web Fundamentals
- 2D-Scenegraph
- Procedural Code
- Coding Audiovisuals
- Computational Thinking

Lecturers

- 3SWS Jirka Dell'Oro-Friedl
- 1SWS Regina Reusch

Points

• 6 ECTS / ECK

Language

• English

Teaching

- Seminar / eduScrum
- preferably 3 week block

Assessment

• 1 sbK (e-Test)

Fundamental UI-Design

Interaction

Some knowledge of Human-Computer-

Prerequisites	Obtained in
Foundations of digital information and grafics processing (Bits, Bytes, Pixel, Colorcodes, Bitmaps, Vectorgrafics etc.)	Theory1
Foundations of digital sound (Sampling, Playback)	STEM1 (Matthias ist interessiert hier ein Beitrag zu leisten)
Experience in creating grafics manually	Visual1
Elementary linear algebra	STEM1

Visual1

Theory1

Code2 Jirka Dell'Oro-Friedl

Contents

- Software Design
- Object Orientation
- 3D-Scenegraph
- Game Patterns & Techniques
- Component Entities

Lecturers

• 4SWS Jirka Dell'Oro-Friedl

Points

- 5 ECTS
- 6 ECK

Language

• English

Teaching

- Seminar / eduScrum
- preferably 3 week block

Assessment

• 1sbK (e-Test)

Modelling, texturing, lighting

Foundations of software engineering

Prerequisites Obtained in Code1 Code1

Spatial audio Sound1

Visual2

Management1

Perspective Visual1, STEM1

Code 3 Uwe Hahne

Contents

- Realtime Computer Graphics
- Shader
- Advanced SW design patterns
- Computation Performance
- Advanced Audiovisuals

Lecturers

- 2SWS Christoph Müller
- 2SWS Uwe Hahne

Points

- 5 ECTS
- 6 ECK

Language

• English

Teaching

- Seminar / eduScrum
- preferably 3 week block

Assessment

• 1 sbA (small project with GPU coding and review)

Prerequisites	Obtained in
Foundations of digital information and graphics processing (Bits, Bytes, Pixel, Colorcodes, Bitmaps, etc.)	Theory1
Computer Graphic basics (Vertices, Faces, Meshes, Scenegraphs, Textures, Lighting)	Visual2
Linear algebra (Matrix, Vector)	STEM1
Coding skills that allow to read any language	Code 2

Code 4 Ruxandra Lasowski

Contents

- Game Al
 - Finite Automata und Behaviour Trees
 - Agents, Search Problems, Uninformed Search
 - Informed Search (A* and Heuristics)
 - Adversarial Search and Games I: Minimax, Alpha-beta Pruning
 - Adversarial Search and Games II: Expectimax, MCTS
 - Reinforcement Learning
- Network
 - Database
 - Relational and NoSQL databases
 - Network
 - Server APIs
 - Backend services
 - Network, Multiplayer:
 - Internet- and Streaming: Networking Protocols Basics
 - o Optional: Dedicated Gameserver: Architectures, APIs
 - Networking Multiplayer-Gameserver:
 - a) Online: Client Server /P2P /MMOG Architectures and Protocols
 - o b) Local: LAN/WLAN
 - o c) Dedicated MMOG@home: NAT, DDNS, STUN
 - Cloud Gaming over public networks (Shadow/Blade/Google)

Lecturers

- 2SWS Ruxandra Lasowski
- 2SWS Stephanie Heintz
- 2SWS Jürgen Anders

Points

- 5 ECTS
- 6 ECK

Language

• English

Teaching

- Seminar / eduScrum
- preferably 3 week block

Assessment

- 1sbK
- 1sbA

Prerequisites

Basics in Computer science

Basics for Al

Obtained in

Theory 1

STEM 1, Theory 1 + 2

Assessment

Project1: Entry Project Nikolaus Hottong

• 1 sbA

Contents

- No-Code/Low-Code Game Project
- Agile Mindset
- Methods (Scrum, Design Thinking, Team Building)
- Playful approach to media development
- Project-based learning
- Presentation and event planning

Lecturers

- Nikolaus Hottong (2 SWS)
- Uwe Hahne (2 SWS)

Points

• 6 ECTS/ECK

Language

englisch

Teaching

- Seminar / eduScrum
- 3 week block, preferably first block of course (-> Teambuilding)

Visual Design Visual1 **Project2: Physical Game** Contents Foundations of perception & cognition Theory1 Design and creation of a physical game, optionally with digital augmentation Perspective Visual1, STEM1 • Practical application of various skills acquired in previous modules Probability, strategy and game theory STEM1, Theory2 • Team- and projectmanagement • Practice visualization, documentation, communication, Foundation of game design Theory2 presentation • Work with physical material to create prototypes 3D-Modelling for stills or 3D-printing, if Visual2 Lecturers applicable • 3SWS in total for three docents as jury Audiodesign, if applicable STEM1, Sound1 **Points** Generative design of stills if applicable Code1 • 10 ECTS

Prerequisites

Obtained in

Language

• 6 ECK

• English/German

Teaching

- Workshop / Scrum
- preferably 6 week block

Assessment

• 1A

Project3: Simple Digital Project

Contents

- Design and creation of a simple interactive application
- Practical application of various skills acquired in previous modules
- Implemention of graphics, sound, behaviour, animation, text
- Team- and projectmanagement
- Practice visualization, documentation, communication, presentation
- Work with digital material to create prototypes

Lecturers

• 3SWS in total for three docents as jury

Points

- 10 ECTS
- 6 ECK

Language

• English/German

Teaching

- Workshop / Scrum
- preferably 6 week block

Assessment

• 1A

Prerequisites Obtained in Project1 Project1

Interactive & immersive audio Sound1

Software design, software engineering Management1, Code2

2D and/or 3D-animation Visual3

3D-modelling for interaction, if applicable Visual2

Coding Code1, Code2

Foundations of physics engines and dynamical STEM2 systems, if applicable

	Prerequisites	Obtained in
Project4: Advanced Digital Project	Project2	Project2
	Spatial audio	Sound1
 Design and creation of an advanced interactive application Practical application of various skills acquired in previous 	Music & sound design	Sound2
 modules Implemention of advanced technologies e.g. AR/VR, spatial 	Modelling and animation in 2D and 3D	Visual2, Visual3
audio/video, tangible interfacesTeam- and projectmanagement	3D-Modelling for interaction, if applicable	Visual2
 Practice visualization, documentation, communication, presentation 	Advanced coding	Code3
Work with digital material to create advanced prototypes Lecturers	Foundation of physics engines & dynamical systems	STEM2
3SWS in total for three docents as jury	Storytelling, narrative design if applicable	Theory3
Points • 10 ECTS / 6 ECK	UX-Design	Theory3
Language • English/German	Foundations of multiuser experiences, if applicable	Code4
	Advanced computer-Interaction, if applicable	Code4
 Teaching Workshop / Scrum preferably 6 week block Assessment	Tangible interfaces, computer vision, physical computing if applicable	STEM3

• 1A

Project5: Complex Digital Project

Assessment

• 1A

Contents

- Professional Design and creation of a complex interactive application
- Practical application of various skills acquired in previous modules
- Consideration and calculation of professional publishing, marketing, monetization, quality assurance.
- Practice professional workflow

Prerequisites Obtained in Project3

Project3

Lecturers

3SWS in total for three docents as jury

Points

• 12 ECTS / ECK

Language

• English/German

Teaching

- Workshop / Scrum
- preferably 8 week block

Prerequisites

Project3

Producing, business calculation, advanced management

Obtained in

Project3

Management 1+ 2

Project6: Final Assignment

Contents

- Bachelor Thesis
- Thesis Seminar

Lecturers

2SWS all docents

Points

• 18 ECTS / ECK

Language

• English/German

Teaching

Assessment

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- 1 PN: 6 ECTS/ECK

Qualifikationszielmatrix

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2 In-depth knowledge and abilities in team management, production, and marketing.	20				1	1 :	1 1					1	1			2	2	2 2	2	2	2			
3 Comprehensive theoretical understanding of media design and technology.	29		2	2	2	2 2	2 2	2	2	2	2 1	1 2	2	1	1					1	1			\Box
4 Experience in collaborating with diverse teams on multiple projects using agile methodologies.	30	2		1	2	2 2	2 2	2	1					1	1	2	2	2 2	2	2	2			\Box
Section 2: Interdisciplinary Skills																								
5 Ability to effectively work within multicultural teams in both German and English.	29	2	2	1	1	1 :	1 1	1	1			1	1	1	1	2	2	2 2	2 2	2	2			\Box
6 Sensitivity to the societal impact of the development and utilization of games and immersive media.	20	1		1	1	1 :	1				2	2 2	2			1	1	1 1	1	2	2			\Box
7 Competence and self-assurance in employing complex technologies in creative and artistic contexts.	30			1	2	2 2	2 1		2	2	2 1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2 2	2					\Box
Section 3: Career-Oriented Goals																								
8 Robust foundation for pursuing various careers in the gaming industry.	38	1	1	2	1	2 :	1 2		2	1	1 1	1 2	1	2	2	2	2	2 2	2	1	1	1	1	1 1
9 Strong groundwork for exploring diverse professions within immersive media outside the gaming sector.	38		1	2	1	1 2	2 2	2	2	1	1 1	1 1	1	2	2	2	2	2 2	2	1	1	1	1	1 1
10 Opportunities for further specialization in chosen fields such as computer science, media technologies	12																			2	2	2	2	2 2