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Digital Animation Artist Maya Certificate of Preparation

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GE Pattern: None
Total Units: 15 Units
Program Code: DAAMA.CERT

Additional Certificate/Degree Programs

*Fine Arts, AA * Digital Media, Animation and Motion Graphics Maya * Digital Animation Technician I 3ds Max * Digital Animation Technician I Maya * Digital Animation Artist 3ds * Digital Animation Artist Maya * Expanded Animation Technician 3ds Max * Expanded Animation Technician Maya * Digital Filmmaker*

The Digital Animation Artist - Maya certificate is designed to expand an individual's expertise in 3D Animation by requiring additional training in traditional art principles and techniques. Employers many times view an animator who possesses the ability to both draw and more thoroughly understand concepts and practices specific to traditional art painting as more well-rounded and work-ready. By earning the Digital Animation Artist certificate, students will better position themselves for employment opportunities in this fast-paced and competitive field.

Year 1 Fall — 6 Units

Category	Course	Title	GE Area	Unit
Req	ANIM 50	Principles of Animation in Maya		3
RE	Any	Complete one ART course from list		3

Year 1 Winter — 3 Units

Category	Course	Title	GE Area	Unit
Req	ANIM 56	Photoshop for Animators (offered Winter only)		3

Year 1 Spring — 3 Units

Category	Course	Title	GE Area	Unit
Req	ANIM 51	Advanced Materials, Lighting and Rendering with Maya (offered Spring only)		3

Year 2 Fall — 3 Units

Category	Course	Title	GE Area	Unit
Req	ANIM 52	Digital Character Animation with Maya (offered Fall only)		3

Category Key

(a)	**Articulated Credit**	A course taught at the high school that teaches the same content as the community college allowing the high school student to receive college credit.	GE	**General Education**	A course that fulfills a specific general education requirement for this degree, which can be replaced with another course that meets the same requirements.
Elec	**Elective**	A degree - applicable course that is part of a degree road map to ensure that there is a total of at least 60 units, which is a requirement for an AS degree.	RE	**Restricted Electives**	A course selected from a list of elective courses specified for this degree in the course list in the catalog, which can be replaced with another course from the same list.
Req	**Required Core**	A course that is required for this degree			

A grade of C or better in all courses and an Adobe Photoshop course specific to 3D Animation applications is also required to earn a certificate.

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Listed Occupations may require additional education, certification, and/or on-the-job training.

MDCP Regional Labor Market Snapshot
JOBS In Digital Animation and Design

+155
5-year Job Demand Increase in **MDCP Region**

Average Hourly Wage

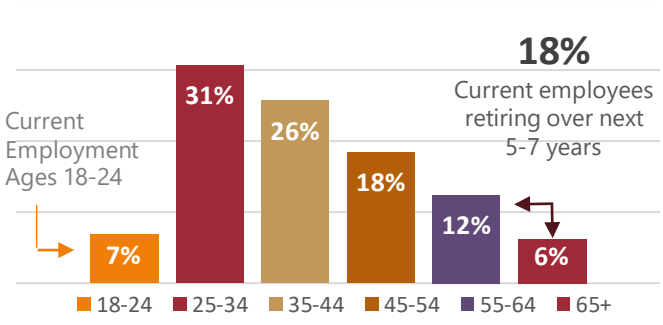
- $33.07 MDCP Region
- $31.04 SB County
- $38.26 California

EMPLOYMENT PROJECTIONS

318 (2022) → 473 (2027)

5-year demand includes new jobs, transfers, and retirements

Current Age Breakdown



CONTINUING EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Program	College
BA Design Studies	Cal State San Bernardino
BA Fine Arts Graphic Design	Cal Poly Pomona
BA Digital Media & Communications	Azusa Pacific University
BFA Digital Arts	Chapman University
BA Video/Digital Art	Cal State Northridge

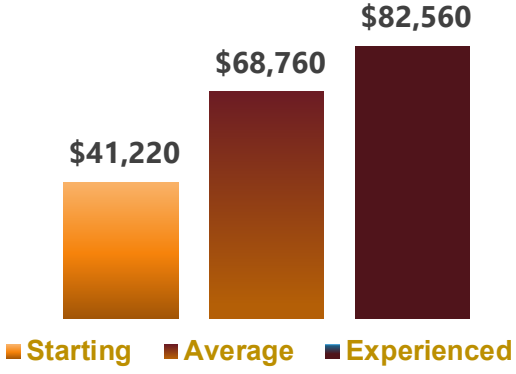
For additional information on VVC Digital Arts:
https://catalog.vvc.edu/degrees-certificates/3d-animation/#DAAMA-CERT

LOCAL EMPLOYERS

Employer	Website
Culture Plug	https://www.cultureplug.com
Dynamic Geek Studios	https://www.dynamicgeekstudio.com
Forbes Graphx	https://forbesgraphx.com
Graphics MFG	http://graphicsmfg.com
Kranbox	http://www.kranbox.com
Mars Graphix	http://www.MarsGraphix.com
We Got Em Tees	https://wegotemtees.com

Salary Guide

AVERAGE BY EXPERIENCE



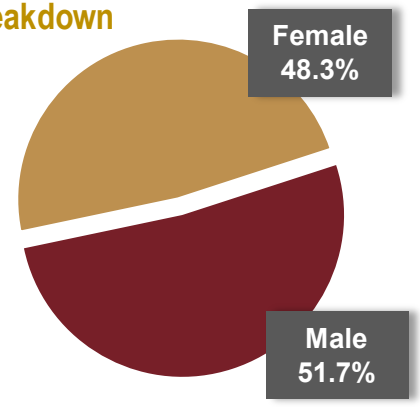
AVERAGE WAGE INFORMATION PER JOBS IN REGION

Occupation	Average Hourly Wage HD	SBC	California	HD Average Salary
Desktop Publishers (A)	$24.39	$24.11	$26.13	$50,700
Website and Digital Interface Designers (A)	$36.58	$32.32	$52.07	$76,100
Graphic Designers (B)	$29.54	$27.09	$33.70	$61,400
Illustrators (B)	$30.40	$28.75	$31.57	$63,200
Special Effects Artists and Animators (B)	$44.42	$42.93	$47.84	$92,400

Average hourly wage based on listed occupations
(HS = High School Diploma; PSC= Postsecondary Certificate; A = Associates Degree; B = Bachelor's Degree; M = Master's Degree; D = Professional or Doctorate Degree)
Some occupations require State Certification or Licensure

HD Average wages based on listed occupations
^High Demand Occupation

Current Gender Breakdown



MDCP CAREER PATHWAYS
Serving the High Desert Region

Employment and wage data Source: CHMURA JobsEQ 2022 Q2
MDCP Region (HD) - San Bernardino County (SBC), and California