

Kishwaukee College Syllabus
CIS 121 AA- REF. #5247
Web Site Animation - Flash
2 Credit Hours, Spring 2007

I. Course Description

This course offers a comprehensive introduction to web animations presentations as authored by Macromedia's Flash program. Topics covered include graphic creation, graphic manipulation, type creation, file importing/exporting, layering, animation and interactive movies. one and a half hour lecture/discussion and two and a half hour lab per week.

Prerequisite: CIS 118 or instructor consent.

II. Meeting Time and Place

Room: A374

Time: 6:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M. Thursday

Dates: 3/22/2007 ◆ 5/10/2007

III. Instructor Information

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Office hours: By Appointment

IV. Required Text and Materials

A. **Required text** Gonzalez, James. *Macromedia® Flash Professional 8 Hands-On Training* Berkeley, California: lynda.com, 2006

V. Course Objectives

Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:

- A. perform a Flash program installation and configuration.
- B. demonstrate performance of basic Flash program maneuvers.
- C. draw and paint graphic art using the appropriate Flash program menus and commands.
- D. create a custom color palette for use in the Flash program.
- E. manipulate artwork from external sources to the Flash program.
- F. create and insert text to proper format and style
- G. demonstrate creation and use of layers in the Flash program.
- H. create a basic animation making use of onion skins.
 - I. create, edit and animate Flash symbols and instances.
- J. apply a basic interactivity actions (such as a URL or E-mail link) with a Flash ActionScript
- K. apply an advanced interactivity action (such as a form) with a Flash ActioScript.
- L. publish and export files from the Flash program as SWF files embedded in HTML files.

VI. Grading System

6 assignments @ 50 points each	300 points
5 in-class exercises/quizzes @ 20 points each	100 points
final exam @ 100 points	100 points

Total

500 points

VII. Grading Scale

- A = 90 - 100% 450 points or more
- B = 80 - 89.9% 400 - 449 points
- C = 70 - 79.9% 350 - 399 points
- D = 60 - 69.9% 300 - 349 points
- F = below 60% less than 300 points

VIII. Course Procedures

- A. Students are expected to attend every class session on time and prepared. Students should bring the text, diskettes, paper and pen/pencil to every class.
- B. Students are expected to spend **time outside of class** completing assignments. Lab schedules are posted at each lab. Food and beverages are not permitted in the labs.
- C. A familiarity with computers and the Windows operating system is expected.
- D. Assignments are to be turned in on time. Assignments which are not turned in on time will not be accepted unless individual arrangements are made **in advance** with the instructor. Depending upon the individual assignment, you may be required to turn in a printout and/or a diskette.
- E. Cheating is wrong and can result in dire consequences. A student caught cheating is subject to any combination of the following consequences: a score of 0 for the work in question, a permanent lowering of grade in the course, a failing grade for the course, and/or referral to the Vice President of Student Services for further disciplinary action. If you can not complete an assignment, contact the instructor. Do NOT copy from another student. It is NOT permissible to work together and turn in the same work. Assignments which are deemed suspicious will be referred to another instructor or IT professional. If that third party decides that there are improbable similarities and cheating is likely, then cheating will be assumed. Absolute proof of cheating is not required for the instructor to take action.
- F. Tests are to be taken at the day and time scheduled. Failure to take a test at the scheduled time may result in a grade of 0 for that test. In the case of an excusable absence or a genuine emergency, the instructor must be contacted as soon as possible, preferably before the scheduled test, to reschedule the makeup of that test in the Learning Skills Center on the day the student returns to campus.
- G. Students are expected to show respect toward other students and their work. Behavior inconsistent with this goal is NOT allowed in the classroom and is grounds for expulsion from the class.

IX. Attendance Policy

Class attendance is strongly encouraged. You are responsible for whatever was covered in class, whether you are there or not. If you must miss a class, it is your responsibility to contact the instructor and make arrangements for notes, handouts, or announcements that were missed. Although attendance is not counted toward the final grade, quizzes which are given during class time (and may not be made up) do count toward the final grade.

X. Learning Skills Center Policy

Students must present their Kishwaukee College student ID card when using any Learning Skills Center services. The L.S.C. will provide students with calculators for exams if the instructor allows it. No cell phones, pagers, food, or drinks are allowed in the L.S.C. For fall and spring semesters, the L.S.C. testing hours are Monday through Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and from 1:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Friday testing hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. During the summer, the L.S.C. is open during the ♦L♦ session only, Monday through Thursday, from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

XI. **Withdrawal Policy**

The instructor will not assign a **W** for a student's final grade. The student is responsible for officially withdrawing from the class according to the procedures described in the college catalog. Any student who does not officially withdraw from the class will receive a letter grade. The last date to withdraw from this course is Monday, May 7, 2007.

XII. **Incomplete Grade Policy**

All course requirements must be completed by the end date for the course. If there are extenuating circumstances that merit granting a student more time to finish course requirements, an incomplete grade (**I**) may be given. To receive an incomplete, an Incomplete Grade Contract Form must be completed and approved. If the requirements are not completed, the **I** may revert to an **F**.

XIII. **Graduation Requirements for Transfer Degree Students**

As part of the assessment program, students intending to graduate with an A.A., A.E.S, A.F.A., or A.S. degree are required to submit a degree portfolio. The degree portfolio is used to determine if students reach a mastery of our general education goals. For spring 2007 graduation, the due date for the degree portfolio is Thursday, April 12, 2007. For specific information about the degree portfolio, a PowerPoint presentation is available at Media Services in A-252 or at www.kishwaukeecollege.edu. Go to **Campus Life**, click on **Student Success**, and click on **Degree Requirements**. Students may view sample portfolios at the Learning Skills Center in A-300. Students with questions about the degree portfolio should call Cindy McCluskey at extension 293.

XIV. **ASSESSMENT....**

1. provides an informational base of positive instructional change in the learning process
2. provides a positive change in students' educational experiences
3. increases the public's understanding of and trust in community colleges
4. is necessary for public accountability
5. is required by external mandates

XV. **Copyright Policy**

As a Kishwaukee College Student, you may have copyrighted and/or licensed software made available to you by the college for course use. Please understand that copyright law prohibits copying these materials. Violation of copyright laws can lead to prosecution for a criminal offense.

XVI. **Emergency Procedures**

Class cancellations due to inclement weather will be announced on local radio stations or posted on the college Web site: www.kishwaukeecollege.edu. Students may also call the college at (815) 825-2086. Class cancellations due to instructor absence will be posted on the classroom door. Room changes will be announced in advance whenever possible and posted on the classroom door.

Tentative Weekly Schedule

Please note that this schedule and the topics covered are likely to change. Changes will be announced in class. If you are not able to attend class, it is your responsibility to find out what was covered.

Week 1	3/22	Syllabus, Installing the software, Flash basics, Using the Tools, Drawing and Colors, Animation Basics - Timeline	Syllabus Chapters 1, 2, 3, 4
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Week 2	3/29	Shape Tweening, Symbols and Instances Assignment #1 due	Chapters 5, 6
Week 3	4/5	Symbols and Instances, Motion Tweening and Timeline Effects, Assignment #2 due	Chapter 6, 7
Week 4	4/12	Bitmaps and Buttons	Chapter 8, 9
Week 5	4/19	Actionscript Basics and Behaviors Assignment #3 due	Chapter 11
Week 6	4/26	Working with Text and Sound Assignment #4 due	Chapters 12, 13
Week 7	5/3	Video, Publishing and Exporting Assignment #5 due	Chapters 15, 16
Week 8	5/10	Putting it all together, Final Exam	Chapter 17

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