

Personal statement

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I have had a passion for animation since i was young and would love to do it for a living.

I am interested with the idea of taking a drawing and making it seem real through animation and moving image.

I believe i am suitable for this course because i have a lot of experience with animation and interactive design. i have done work experience at a interactive design company and also have done a two year level 3 btec on interactive design in which i used animation frequently.

I was in an animation club in my secondary school for two years which took place every Monday after school where we did stop motions using drawings and models.

I have been using Maya frequently over the past couple of years at home and at college and i have a good skill level using that software, i also have a good understanding of all the adobe creative cloud softwares and use them on a day to day basis. I also took Art in GCSE and in college i had a fine arts class once a week so i have skills in drawings and painting.

One hobby I have outside of school is boxing i do boxing 5 times a week and i helps me clear my head from coursework and keep fit at the same time

When in secondary school I worked in a small design company called Five Fish. I worked there for a week creating posters, banner and helping with companies logos. I loved this job and it really helped push my passion for interactive art and introduced me to Illustrator and photoshop. Since coming to college I was given an amazing opportunity to display my animation i had made on Eadward Muybridge in Kingston Museum.

In the long run I would love to start up my own animation company and make a living doing what i love. i would love to at some point create a short film or possibly even a full length animation and be acknowledge for my work in animation. however, for me just the idea of having a job in animation would be amazing.



Dos when writing your personal statement

Do use your best English and don't let spelling and grammatical errors spoil your statement.

Do show that you know your strengths and can outline your ideas clearly.

Do be enthusiastic – if you show your interest in the course, it may help you get a place.

Do expect to produce several drafts of your personal statement before being totally happy with it.

Do ask people you trust for their feedback.

Don'ts when writing your personal statement

Don't exaggerate – if you do you may get caught out at interview when asked to elaborate on an interesting achievement.

Don't rely on a spellchecker as it will not pick up everything – proofread as many times as possible.

Don't leave it to the last minute - your statement will seem rushed and important information could be left out.