

FOUR-YEAR STUDENT DEGREE PLAN 2025-2026 ACADEMIC YEAR

Degree:	Bachelor of Arts	Credits required for degree:	120
Major:	Animation and Computer Graphics	Credits required in major:	48
Concentration:	Computer Animation	Estimated semesters to complete this degree plan:	8

1st Semester Courses (Typically the Fall Semester)	Credit Hours	2nd Semester Courses (Typically the Spring Semester)	Credit Hours
Total Semester Credit Hours		Total Semester Credit Hours	15
ANIM 145 Introduction to Computer Animation		ANIM 120 Visual Storytelling and Aesthetics	3
INMD 120 Digital Media Toolkit	3	ANIM 110 History of Animation and Computer Graphics	3
ENGL 111 Foundations of 21st-Century Writing (Core)	3	Columbia Core Requirement	3
Columbia Core Requirement (CCCX)	3	Columbia Core Requirement	3
College-Wide Elective	3	College-Wide Elective	3
3rd Semester Courses (Typically the Fall Semester)	Credit Hours	4th Semester Courses (Typically the Spring Semester)	Credit Hours
Total Semester Credit Hours	15	Total Semester Credit Hours	15
ANIM 201 Storyboarding for Animation	3	ANIM 245 Computer Animation: Keyframing I	3
GAME 201 Computer Animation: Modeling	3	College-Wide Elective	3
Columbia Core Requirement	3	College-Wide Elective	3
College-Wide Elective	3	Columbia Core Requirement	3
College-Wide Elective	3	College-Wide Elective	3
5th Semester Courses (Typically the Fall Semester)	Credit Hours	6th Semester Courses (Typically the Spring Semester)	Credit Hours
Total Semester Credit Hours	15	Total Semester Credit Hours	15
GAME 335 Shading and Surfacing for Games	3	Computer Animation Conc. Elective (ANIM340, ANIM 345, ANIM 351, ANIM 352, ANIM382, or ANIM 482)	3
Computer Animation Conc. Elective (ANIM 340, ANIM 345, ANIM 351, ANIM 352, ANIM 355, or ANIM 382)	3	Columbia Core Requirement	3
Columbia Core Requirement	3	College-Wide Elective	3
Columbia Core Requirement	3	College-Wide Elective	3
College-Wide Elective	3	College-Wide Elective	3
7th Semester Courses (Typically the Fall Semester)	Credit Hours	8th Semester Courses (Typically the Spring Semester)	Credit Hours
Total Semester Credit Hours		Total Semester Credit Hours	15
ANIM 480 Animation Production Studio I	6	ANIM 481 Animation Production Studio II	6
Computer Animation Conc. Elective (ANIM 340, ANIM 351, ANIM 352, ANIM 345, ANIM 355, ANIM 382, or ANIM 482)	3	ANIM 485 Animation and CG Portfolio Development	3
Columbia Core Requirement	3	Computer Animation Conc. Elective (ANIM340, ANIM 345, ANIM 351, ANIM 352, ANIM382, or ANIM 482) OR College-Wide Elective	3
College-Wide Elective	3	College-Wide Elective	3

Notes on the Four-Year Student Degree Plan:

This degree plan is a suggested sequence only. Students should consult with their Academic Advisors and Academic Departments to develop their unique individual plans.

Columbia Core Requirements include Communication, Aesthetics and Creative Expression, Quantitative Reasoning, Historical and Cultural Understanding, Scientific Discovery, and Columbia Experience classes. Students should review their individual Degree Audits for their specific requirements.

Major Electives include courses required to be completed to finish a major, and students will choose from a list of Major Electives in the course catalog. College-Wide Electives include all courses and credits not specifically applied towards the Columbia Core or Major Requirements.

All degree-seeking undergraduate students are required to complete 6 credits of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) coursework.

Students are encouraged to consider declaring a Minor to complete their required College-Wide Elective credits.

Full-time status at Columbia College Chicago is a minimum of 12 attempted credits per semester, but the cost of tuition is the same for 12-18 attempted credits. Students are encouraged to attempt 15 credits each semester for financial reasons and to complete their degree (120 minimum credits) in a timely fashion.



TRANSFER STUDENT DEGREE PLAN 2025-2026 ACADEMIC YEAR

Degree:	Bachelor of Arts	Credits required for degree:	120
Major:	Animation and Computer Graphics	Credits required in major:	48
Concentration:	Computer Animation	Estimated semesters to complete this degree plan:	4

1st Semester Courses (Typically the Fall Semester)	Credit Hours	2nd Semester Courses (Typically the Spring Semester)	Credit Hours
Total Semester Credit Hours		Total Semester Credit Hours	15
ANIM 145 Introduction to Computer Animation		ANIM 120 Visual Storytelling and Aesthetics	3
INMD 120 Digital Media Toolkit	3	ANIM 110 History of Animation & Computer Graphics	3
Computer Animation Conc. Production Elective (ANIM 340) OR College-Wide Elective		ANIM 201 Storyboarding for Animation	3
College Wide Elective		GAME 201 Computer Aniamtion: Modeling	3
Columbia Core Requirement (CCCX)	3	ANIM 245 Computer Animation: Keyframing I	3
3rd Semester Courses (Typically the Fall Semester)	Credit Hours	4th Semester Courses (Typically the Spring Semester)	Credit Hours
Total Semester Credit Hours		Total Semester Credit Hours	15
ANIM 480 Animation Production Studio I*	6	ANIM 481 Animation Production Studio II	6
GAME 335 Shading and Surfacing for Games		ANIM 485 Animation & CG Portfolio Development	3
Computer Animation Conc. Advanced Elective (ANIM 345, ANIM 351, or ANIM 352)*		Computer Animation Conc. Advanced Elective (ANIM 345, ANIM 351, ANIM 352, or ANIM 355)	3
Computer Animation Conc. Production Elective (ANIM 340 or ANIM 382) OR College-Wide Elective	3	College Wide Elective	3

Notes on the Transfer Student Degree Plan:

*2-year transfer students can request to have the pre-reqs for ANIM 480 waived with concurrent enrollment in ANIM 345, ANIM 351, or ANIM 352)

This degree plan assumes a student is starting at Columbia with a **minimum of 60 credits in transfer** and the completion of the Essential LAS Core Requirements. **This degree plan is a suggested sequence only.** Students should consult with their Academic Advisors and Academic Departments to develop their unique individual plans.

Columbia Core Requirements include Communication, Aesthetics and Creative Expression, Quantitative Reasoning, Historical and Cultural Understanding, Scientific Discovery, and Columbia Experience classes. Students should review their individual Degree Audits for their specific requirements.

Major Electives include courses required to be completed to finish a major, and students will choose from a list of Major Electives in the course catalog. College-Wide Electives include all courses and credits not specifically applied towards the Columbia Core or Major Requirements.

All degree-seeking undergraduate students are required to complete 6 credits of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) coursework.

Students are encouraged to consider declaring a Minor to complete their required College-Wide Elective credits.

Full-time status at Columbia College Chicago is a minimum of 12 attempted credits per semester, but the cost of tuition is the same for 12-18 attempted credits. Students are encouraged to attempt 15 credits each semester for financial reasons and to complete their degree (120 minimum credits) in a timely fashion.

**Enrollment in ANIM480 conditional on concurrent enrollment (or previous completion) in ANIM 345, ANIM 351, or ANIM 352.