

COMPUTER GAME DESIGN
<http://cvpa.gmu.edu/gamedesign.html>

Name and description of the field

Computer Game Design is an emerging field of study that incorporates computer technology, visual arts, and music with creative and critical-thinking competencies. This distinctive BFA program will attract artists who also have an aptitude for the sciences. Students earning the BFA in Computer Game Design will be required to complete an internship which will help the student to gain practical and professional experience in the gaming field. Potential internship sites include the department of defense, security agencies, government contractors, and international entertainment and broadcast firms.

What special skills or abilities are needed to succeed in this major?

Students in Computer Game Design will need to develop their ability to observe carefully and fully what exists and their ability to visualize and conceptualize what might be. This program also requires technical skills and an interest in computer technology. In addition, they should develop their skills in drawing, design, and use of color.

Is it possible to minor in Computer Game Design?

No, there is not a minor in Computer Game Design at this time.

Are there any other majors for students interested in Computer Game Design?

Another possibility for students interested in gaming would be the BS in Applied Computer Science with a concentration in Game Design. Refer to the Computer Science Exploring Majors sheet.

Sample Job Titles:

Go to <http://occupations.careers.org/3702/computer-game-designer>

Career Library Resources – Go to <http://careers.gmu.edu/careerlibrary/wheretostart/avt.pdf> to see resources located in the Career Services Library in room 348, SUB I

Major, Career & Job Hunting Information Online (links to the academic department, associations and other useful sites) – Go to <http://careers.gmu.edu/onlineresources/avt.htm>

Whom should students contact for further information?

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