

**Elective Course Description Winter Term 2023/2024**

<b>Title</b>	Bring your ideas to life using Houdini				
<b>Cluster Title PO 2014</b> <small>To be filed by focus managers S.U.</small>	Technical Art for Animations and Games				
<b>Date of first course event / first organizational meeting with students****/ Room</b>	2.1.23	F17/105		NN	
<b>kind of room if not indicated above</b>	Online		Seminarraum		Labor

Belegung über OBS  
02.10. - 09.10.2023 14:00

<b>Course Data</b>	credit points	5 credit points			
	workload/semester	125-150 h			
	presence/week on average**	4 SWS			
	Group size according to cnw				
	Min. size	8 students			
	2.1.24-5.1.24				
		<b>weekday of course</b>			
	frequency of course-events	weekly	bi-weekly	blocked	
	prospective timeframe**** (Block = 90 min)	Block 1 8:30	Block 2 10:15	Block 3 12:00	Block 4 14:15
		Block 5 16:00	Block 6 17:45		
	course language	English		German	
	suitable for students of course/focus	ER	AG	X	
		IMD	MP		
		SMP	IW (BA)		
		OJ/WJ/OK	KMI	X	
Content(s): (check one or more)	Design	Informatics / Technology	Economy / Business	Culture	
	X	X			
Time frame in case of blocked event	2.1.24 - 5.1.24 whole day Attention: Out of regular lecturing period, during christmas break				

**Course Portrait**

Lecturer(s) Name(s)	Manuel Köster				
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Teaching Method	lecture	lecture + seminar	seminar	project	
			X		

Course Contents	<h1 align="center">Bring your ideas to life using Houdini</h1> <p>Learning Houdini is difficult, especially if you don't find the right tutorials for your tasks. This course will get you up to speed on the basics of Houdini. After that I will help you apply your learned skills to one of your personal/semester project tasks to further your knowledge. No matter what you want to do. Tasks could be anything from procedural modelling, hair grooming, fire FX,</p>
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	<p>python tool creation, lighting/shading or magical FX... Anything, as long as the scope is within the bounds of this course. This is has been a regular course at the Hda; Here are some reels of previous years: 2019   2020 <a href="https://vimeo.com/394278780">https://vimeo.com/394278780</a> <a href="https://vimeo.com/553793400">https://vimeo.com/553793400</a></p> <p><b>Prerequisites</b> To get up to speed quickly with Houdini, this course requires previous knowledge of other 3D software and workflows. If you have spent a semester working in your preferred 3D application or enrolled in a previous 3D/Houdini course, you will be fine</p> <p><b>Course structure</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Pre-course: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Watching provided/pre-selected tutorials</li> <li>○ Short pitch of personal project to be executed during the course</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Course Days 1(&amp;2): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Introduction to Houdini, clearing up questions, establishing workflows</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Course Days 3+: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Working on the personal project with the help of the tutor</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Post Course: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Finishing up the personal project</li> <li>○ Getting graded by the uploaded personal project</li> </ul> </li> </ul>				
Type of Exam	homework	<input type="checkbox"/>	work+presentation	<input type="checkbox"/>	paper
Milestones <u>if known</u>					
	Examination				
	Examination / Presentation				
End of Elective					
Suitability	beginner course intermediate course advanced course				
Preconditions					
Info about lecturer (especially if guest)	Manuel Köster is a Technical Artist/Director with experience in most CG industries like VFX, Animation, Advertising, Film and Games. He has been part of projects like Doctor Strange, Cpt Marvel, Peter Rabbit 2, Lego Movie 2, Crysis 4 and Alan Wake 2 while working internationally at studios like RISE VFX, Pixomondo, Animal Logic, Crytek and Remedy Entertainment. There he made experiences as both an artist and a developer in various different departments like FX, VFX, Pipeline, Character FX, Technical Art and Environment. He is currently active as a Senior Technical Artist at Remedy Entertainment in Helsinki, working on various different titles like Alan Wake 2. You can find his portfolio here: <a href="https://shadesoforange.de/portfolio/">https://shadesoforange.de/portfolio/</a> // <a href="https://www.linkedin.com/in/manuel-köster">https://www.linkedin.com/in/manuel-köster</a>				
Other information	Takes place during semester break in January 24!!!				

\* According to our examination law, the course titles have to be matched to a given catalogue with common course titles. This title will appear in the Transcript of Record and the Bachelor Certificate. Field has to be filed by Focus Managers, all clusters can be found below

\*\* The official presence-time is 3 SWS for the whole semester. As the elective period is condensed to 12 weeks instead of 16 weeks, the presence time for the electives is 4 SWS.

\*\*\* Courses and focal points: er = Expanded Realities , oj = Online Journalismus; wj =

Wissenschaftsjournalismus, blank field = please insert appropriate course. (*check as many as apply*)

\*\*\*\* Block 1 = 8.30 - 10.00 Uhr, Block 2 = 10.15 - 11:45 Uhr, Block 3 = 12.00 - 13.30 Uhr, Block 4 = 14.15 - 15.45 Uhr, Block 5 = 16.00 - 17.30 Uhr, Block 6 = 17.45 - 19.15 Uhr

\*\*\*\*\* In case that the course does not start in the first week 15.10.2018 there has to be a first organisational meeting to finalize the application process

Elective Start: 16.10.2023

Christmas 23.12.-7.1.24 (due to the short semester there might be some flexibel lecturing during this period.,)

Electives End 16.2.2024 (Examinations could be scheduled after this date if necessary)

Please upload in Moodle Course!