

# A Career In Gaming

A career in the gaming industry doesn't have to be about just playing games. There are careers that do involve this, but there is so much more to it! Some careers in gaming include:

- **Game designer:** Video game designers develop the concept, storyline, characters, dialogue, as well as all the rules of the game. Designers determine how difficult the game should be, as well as what kind of obstacles the player will encounter.
- **Concept artist:** Early in the development cycle, concept artists work with art directors to shape the look of a video game before it enters production. Concept artists use photographic research, 3D modelling, and digital painting to create the initial look and tone of the video game.
- **Game artists:** Animators, 3D artists, and visual effects artists are all responsible for developing the look and feel of the in-game assets. Sound designers and audio engineers are also integral to the process, as they will create all the sounds that are heard in-game, from the opening theme to the sound effects of the menu.

## Did you know?

You can study gaming right on your doorstep! Sunderland College offer some courses, we have highlighted 2 of them below:

### T Level in Digital Production, Design & Development

T Level in Digital Production, Design and Development will boost your knowledge in topics such as programming, coding, the use of data, and the different platforms of delivery in the digital industry.

After this, you will move on to the subject specialism, so you can build up the skills you need for your future job. You will be able to put everything you learn into practice, with an industry placement of around 45 days. This will give you an opportunity to work with an employer while you study, such as a software or IT company, and gain experience as well as key skills that employers are looking for.

### BTEC Diploma in Esports

Sunderland College offer this BTEC Diploma in Esports at both Level 2 and Level 3. Esports is an industry where professional teams face off against each other in competitive video games. This level 2 Esports course helps you gain the skills needed to work within this area or progress to further study. Throughout this course you will learn how to coach and manage a team, plan and run events and also brand and advertise a team. You will also get the opportunity to work with Sunderland College's multi-championship winning teams, the Seers, within the British Esports Championships.

To find out more about these courses, and others that are available, please go to:

<https://sunderlandcollege.ac.uk/courses/school-leaver/vocational-courses/animation-games-design-vfx/>

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TEA  
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