



10 fully funded EngD studentships available each year within the Centre for Digital Entertainment.

The EPSRC doctoral training [Centre for Digital Entertainment](#) (CDE) is seeking candidates of academic excellence to undertake fully-funded research in computer games, animation, visual effects, and other topics in the graphics/vision area. The CDE is a joint venture between Bournemouth University and the University of Bath.

This programme offers all you need for a research career in the games, visual effects or computer animation and other industries that draw upon these technical skills.

We offer a unique programme starting with a fully-structured taught first year. This includes Master Classes from our company experts, with courses such as **computer animation and games, visual effects, machine learning and AI**. There is growing emphasis on research as the year unfolds.

You will then join the research team of one of our cutting-edge companies for three years, to research towards their next-generation projects. You will learn a great deal about the industry and emerge with a CV that no conventional research student can match.

Our students are always looking for new things to get involved with. They take part in games jams, summer schools and international conferences, recently including group trips to **USA, Paris, Hong Kong, Australia and Toronto**. Students can pitch their ideas to leading computer games, animation and visual effects companies and be trained in starting their own company.

Our 50 current students are in companies such as **BBC R&D, Electronic Arts, Sony Entertainment, Double Negative Visual Effects, The National Trust, Ninja Theory, Natural Motion, emteq, Bait Studio** and many more.

All applications are assessed on both your research potential and academic excellence.

You will need a strong first degree in **Computer Science, Mathematics, Engineering, Physics** or related subjects. Excellent technical ability and programming skills are essential.

You must be a citizen of the UK/European Union; or be able to prove you have "indefinite leave to remain" in the UK.

These four-year doctoral studentships provide:

- In the first year, a tax-free EPSRC stipend paid at the EPSRC EngD rate for the academic year, which is currently **£16,053 (EPSRC EngD 2017/18 rate)**
- Once your placement commences, you could also receive up to **£4,000 per annum**, provided the company has entered into a contractual agreement to provide an appropriate contribution to the university.
- Tuition fees, worth approximately **£5,000 per annum**
- Generous funding of around **£10,000** for conferences and additional training and cohort activities.

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