



# Academy of Interactive Entertainment

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## Introduction

AIE's Canberra Campus is now firing on all cylinders as Certificate II courses begin.

The Advanced Diploma of Professional Game Development classes were treated to a visit by Mirco Forté staff as part of AIE's industry visit program.

A few places are still available to study the Certificate III in Information Technology (Games Programming) funded by the ACT Department of Education and Training.

## Industry Visit - Micro Forté

James Sutherland and Brendan Kirk of [Micro Forté](#) visited AIE this week to share their industry knowledge with the Advanced Diploma of Professional Game Development classes.



James and Brendan discussed the importance of time management when developing game projects. Their advice will help students as they design their own game projects, an important component of the course.

"MF have provided invaluable assistance in helping the students set realistic expectations of what they can achieve in the time they have," said senior programming teacher Lea Bartlett.

Industry visits are a core component of AIE's Advanced Diploma of Professional Game Development and we look forward to many more throughout the year.

## Certificate II Courses Begin

Certificate II courses in Information Technology (Game Development) and Screen (3D Animation) have begun. A wide range of students have enrolled from high schools, colleges and universities, as well as others from a host of industries including design, media and architecture.

Certificate II courses are excellent introduction and foundation courses for later study, or act alone to increase the skill sets of students from industries where animation and/or programming are growing in use.

Click here for full details for the [Certificate II in Screen \(3D Animation\)](#) and here for the [Certificate II in Information Technology \(Programming\)](#)

These are single semester courses and will be offered again in July, 2008.



## Government Funded IT Places still available - Closing soon

ACT Government funded places in AIE's Certificate III in Information Technology (Game Development) are still available, but closing soon.

The Certificate III in IT (Game Development) is designed to introduce students to the many career opportunities available for programmers in games, interactivity and creative industries. Modules of study introduce students to games design, programming and development. This course of study gives participants an understanding of skills and techniques necessary to create fun, innovative



games.

Due to the ACT Government funding, the course cost to eligible students is \$350. If you are not sure if your are eligible or would like to find out more, please call us on (02) 6162 5131 or email [enquiries@aie.act.edu.au](mailto:enquiries@aie.act.edu.au)

#### In other news...



Artists across the college have been signing up for [Dominance Wars III](#) - an annual event which sees animators across the world competing to create the best character - Good luck, AIE entrants!

The Advanced Diploma of Professional Game Development class has completed its first assignment, producing a number of gaming levels. Students enjoyed playing with their creations now the hard work has been done.

If you have any questions about AIE or anything in this newsletter, please feel free to get in touch with Myles Peterson on ph (02) 6162 5131 or [mylesp@aie.edu.au](mailto:mylesp@aie.edu.au)

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