**Computer Games Development**

West College Scotland – Paisley Campus

SCQF Level 5 – Open to S5/6 Pupils

Course Outline

The National Progression Award (NPA) in Computer Games Development provides an opportunity for you to develop your knowledge and understanding of games design and games programming. This is an intensive course and requires you to be self-motivated, enthusiastic and prepared to study out with college. You will be working in labs that are equipped with the latest games software and hardware that will foster an atmosphere conducive to creative games development.

Attendance Pattern

Tuesday and Thursday afternoons (1.30pm to 4pm). The duration of the course is August to April.

Pupil Eligibility

You must have:

• 3 passes at National 4, 1 of which should be Maths

• Due to the competitive nature of this sector, it helps if you demonstrate a real passion for gaming and you will be asked to provide a short personal statement on why you want to attend college

Qualification Breakdown

National Progression Award in Computer Games Development

SCQF Level 5:

• Computer Games Design

• Computer Games Media Assets

• Computer Games Development

What opportunities will be available to me when I finish?

You will have the opportunity to progress to studying the NC in Computer Games Development. If you have Higher Maths progression to the HNC/D in Computer Games Development is encouraged.

You might go on to do:

• A full time higher education course, such as a Higher National Certificate (HNC), Higher National Diploma (HND) or degree, in the computer games industry, computer games (Design), programmer, or related area of study. The level you might enter would depend on the level and relevance of your other qualifications

• A career in graphic design or as a games tester

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