Program	## DIGITAL EFFECTS AND ANIMATION ▪ *Associate in Applied Science (AAS)* ▪ *AAS Day Program:* 5 semesters, including 1 summer term ▪ *Admission Cycle:* Fall semester ▪ *Maximum Number Admitted Annually*: Open
Career Description	Animators create moving images and special effects for feature films, television commercials, short features computer games and videos. They draw by hand. They use computers to create the large series of pictures (sequential drawings) which, when photographed and transferred to film or tape, then projected at a specific speed, form the animated cartoons seen in movies and on television.
Careers Available	Motion picture and television, film makers, video makers, advertising firms making commercials, printing and publishing companies, art design studies, manufacturers of electronic games, the Internet, design firms, commercial art and reproduction firms and multimedia employers.
Entry-Level Salary	$30,000 - $50,000/yr.
Course of Study	Students will take courses covering computer hardware and software applications, computer animation, creation and manipulation of digital images and nonlinear editing. They will become proficient at using media industry standard hardware and software to generate and manipulate images, and create digital special effects.
Recommended Courses and Skills	Strong drawing and sketching ability and basic computer skills relating to graphics and imaging processing, strong sketching and drawing ability, ability to work in a team environment.
Helpful Personal Attributes	Ability to manage detailed projects, good analytical and computer skills, a good sense of humor, ability and patience for very detailed work, idea generation, generating a number of different approaches to problems and a real love for the work.
Program Contact	If you would like additional information about the Digital Effects and Animations Program, contact Herb Burns, Department Chair, at 336.734.7342 or hburns@forsythtech.edu.
How To Get Started	You may pick up an application at the Admissions Office, 123 Allman Center on the Forsyth Tech Main Campus, 2100 Silas Creek Parkway in Winston-Salem. You may also request an application by calling 336.734.7253, or you may apply online at www.forsythtech.edu.