This course provides you with an opportunity to study in the field of Computer Science focussing on *Games Development & Cyber Security*. Cyber Security is often in the news and there is a recognised need for specialists to be trained to enter this industry. Games Development is an exciting area of Computer Science.

This qualification is a two-year vocational course and is equivalent to one A Level (e.g. the Distinction\* is worth the same UCAS tariff points as the A\* grade at A Level).

There are four units studied over two years, which include; Computer Systems Fundamentals (examined unit year 1), IT Systems Security and Encryption (internallyamentals

## Learning to program

: There is no expectations for you to have programmed before, but any experience helps. We focus on Python 3 with introductions to C# (C sharp).

There are lots of free tutorials on available. If you have not programmed before, do investigate these so that it's not so unfamiliar when you start the course.

I suggest you listen to the first hour or so of <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rfscVS0vtbw">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rfscVS0vtbw</a>

Don't be put off; I'll start from the beginning when we meet. You'll enjoy it

(We will be using Python 3, and the IDLE environment but again, that can wait!)

Games Development Unit 14 (assessed by coursework)

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