



EXCEPTIONAL MINDS

Academy and Studio

For Visual Effects Artists & Animators with Autism

Exceptional Minds Admissions Policy Regarding Behavior

Exceptional Minds accepts students with a formal diagnosis of Autism, Asperger's, or related disorders who have demonstrated ability and/or strong motivation to work in the field of digital arts and animation. Once enrolled in a program, Exceptional Minds assesses each student's personal work in these fields, as well as their learning, work readiness, social and interpersonal skills. At the students' request, Exceptional Minds will conduct a review of records and talk with other schools and professionals who have experience working with the applicant, as indicated on the Release of Information signed as part of the program's application.

At the present time, Exceptional Minds is not equipped with the staffing or facilities necessary to help students who have behavioral challenges that impede instruction and learning. Physical aggression, threats, property destruction or vandalism, tantrums that disrupt class, and/or criminal behavior (i.e. stealing, drug use, harassment, discrimination, stalking and/or sexual assault, etc.) are grounds for dismissal.

Each student's needs and behaviors will be considered individually. In some cases, Exceptional Minds may offer conditional acceptance on a trial basis. Students, parents, and/or conservators may submit information or ideas to be considered, but Exceptional Minds makes the final decision regarding student admission.

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