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Reaching the impossible: Tales of a computer graphics teacher

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I teach computer graphics since 2009 in a public faculty of the State of Rio de Janeiro, in Brazil. Specifically in a beautiful city called Petrópolis. This faculty offers only one course called Training in Information and Communication Technology, with 3 years of duration, divided into 6 periods. My discipline of Introduction of Computer Graphics occurs in the 4th period, where normally, students are worried about getting a job or retaining the job they already have. In Brazil we don't have manny opportunities in jobs with computer graphics. In fact, this market has been growing in recent decades, but the opportunities are few. In this way, my discipline is not that attractive as I would like it to be. In this session I'm going to talk about how computer graphics have motivated students to improve their programming skills, even though they are not interested in it. Furthermore, I'm going to present some success stories from students who are effectively working with computer graphics, one of them in Australia.

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