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## Help break a computer gaming world record



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The world record for the largest gathering of computer game making (a game jam) held in a single location, is aimed to be set at the University of Bedfordshire over the next few days.

The University will host the Microsoft and Train2Game Gameathon 2012, which is being held from Friday (14 Sept) until Sunday (16 Sept).

Students on Train2Game - which offers accredited courses in Games Design, Development, Art and Animation - courses will form teams at the Luton campus in a battle to create games to be used on Windows 8 in just 48 hours.

The world record will be set with a target of 301 or more participants. Representatives from The Guinness Book of World Records will adjudicate the event.

Microsoft experts will be on hand and the contestants will use Windows 8 software. Games completed during the record attempt deemed suitable for release will be available through the Windows Store. A judging process will take place with gaming industry representatives choosing a best game of the show.

"We're teaming with Train2Game not only to set a world record, but also to support gaming development in the UK," said John Richards, senior director, Windows Partners and Developers at Microsoft Corp. "We're working with the students developing for Windows 8, as they are the future of the industry."

Myra Smallman, course director at Train2Game, added: "This is a tremendous opportunity for our students to work with one of the most respected technology companies in the world. Microsoft is a major player in the video games industry globally and being part of this relationship will be incredibly positive for Train2Game students when they look for employment in the future.

"The students taking part will also be world record holders, a once in a lifetime opportunity."