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Skills

Languages: C++, C#, Python, Java, JavaScript

Technologies: Unreal Engine 5, Unity, Unreal Blueprint, Git, Perforce, Confluence, Jira, Linux

Projects

Grimhook | Unlimited Fries

March 2023 - Present

Lead Programmer | Unreal 5 | C++ & Blueprints | FP Action-Adventure Bullet-hell | Steam | Team of 30 | 2 programmers

- Protyped and iterated a fully functional and polished first-person character controller with many interacting complex abilities in C++ and extended it to blueprints and data assets for easy designer-level modifications
- Developed movement mechanics such as wall running, grappling, dashing, rocket-boosting, mantling, ground-pounding, and others, all seamlessly working together in different combinations
- Took ownership of enemy NPC implementation by creating complex features such as bullet patterns, jumping, an interactive gore system, and complex AI utilizing Unreal's behavior trees and EQS
- Implemented animations and integrated them in gameplay with montages, anim-notifies, aim-offsets, and blend spaces
- Built miscellaneous gameplay systems, including dynamic button prompts, checkpoints, a save system, settings, a dialogue system, cutscenes, and several interactive elements, enhancing gameplay depth and immersion
- · Independently launched the game on Steam achieving overwhelming positive reviews with 10000+ unique players

Death Bloom | Game Production Lab

Jan 2023 - May 2023

Jan 2022 – April 2022

Generalist & Gameplay Programmer | Unreal 5 | Blueprints | Horror-Puzzle | Team of 40 | 10 programmers

• Implemented gameplay mechanics, such as crafting, book menu, and interactive animations

Tobor Party | SGDA

Lead Programmer & Project Lead | Unity C# | Arcade Racing Game | Steam | Team of 6 | 2 programmers

• Designed and implemented checkpoint system, UI, ability pickups, and a modular local multiplayer solution

Professional Experience

Nexrage Studios

Richardson, TX

Software Developer (Game Development)

May 2023 - Present

Daisy's Diary

Gameplay, Systems, and Tools Programmer | Unity C# | Farming RPG | Steam

- · Took ownership of the quest system, enabling it to support both scripted and generated quests
- Architected a framework for the save system, facilitating the storage of any object type across different scenes
- · Created and implemented several editor tools, boosting production speed and workflow efficiency for the team

Unannounced Title

Gameplay Programmer & Project Lead | Unreal C++ & Blueprints | Online FPS

- · Headed the development of an unreleased online multiplayer FPS in Unreal 5, conducting playtests every month
- Utilized Unreal's gameplay and replication framework to create networked gameplay systems such as game modes, a lobby system, in-game UI, combat mechanics, dynamic materials, and animations

Crown U Go! (Contract work)

Networking & Tools Programmer | Unity C# | AR | Android & IOS

· Integrated a SQL database into gameplay to download game data, 3D models, and animations

Light & Wonder (Previously Scientific Games)

Software Engineer Intern (Game Development)

Las Vegas, NV (remote)

Ultimate Firelink Cashfalls China Street

Tools, UI, and Sound Programmer | Unity C# | Slot machine game

- · Developed games in an in-house engine that extended from Unity and utilized a client-server model
- Contributed to a shipped title by writing maintainable C# code and contributing to a large code base, building tools and in-game features which were documented in Confluence

Education

President

The University of Texas at Dallas

Aug 2020 - May 2023

Bachelor of Computer Science (GPA: 3.96)

· Courses: Advanced Algorithm Design, Data Structures, Linear Algebra, Discrete Math II

Leadership Experience

UTD Student Game Developer Association (SGDA)

Richardson, TX

Aug 2021 – May 2023

- Directed one of the largest organizations on campus, managing a Discord community of over 1700 members.
- · Orchestrated in-person weekly meetings consisting of game jams, workshops, guest speakers, and networking socials