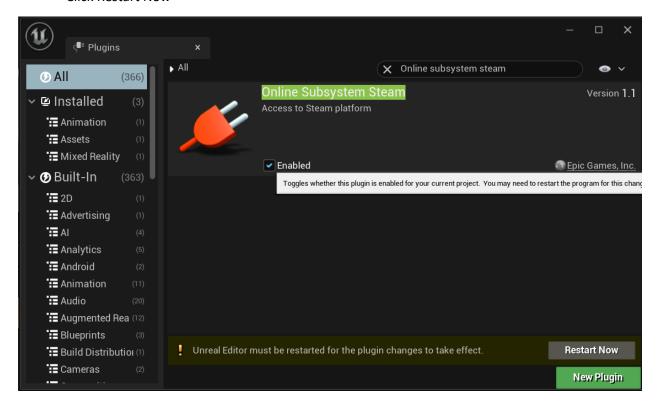
# Steps to Use the Menu System Plugin

## 1. Create or open an Unreal Engine 5 project

(For new projects, it is recommended that you use the Third Person project template, as it already has a working character which is replicated).

## 2. Configure the project to use the Steam Online Subsystem

- Go to Edit -> Plugins -> search for Online Subsystem Steam
- Check Enabled
- Click Restart Now



• In the project folder, go to Config

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Open DefaultEngine.ini

Add the following to the bottom of DefaultEngine.ini (copy them directly from Unreal Engine's Documentation page)

https://docs.unrealengine.com/4.27/en-US/ProgrammingAndScripting/Online/Steam/

#### DefaultEngine.ini

```
[/Script/Engine.GameEngine]
+NetDriverDefinitions=(DefName="GameNetDriver",DriverClassName="OnlineSubsystemSteam.SteamNetDrive

[OnlineSubsystem]
DefaultPlatformService=Steam

[OnlineSubsystemSteam]
bEnabled=true
SteamDevAppId=480

; If using Sessions
; bInitServerOnClient=true

[/Script/OnlineSubsystemSteam.SteamNetDriver]
NetConnectionClassName="OnlineSubsystemSteam.SteamNetConnection"
```

- Save and close. The full file should appear as follows (with your project name where it says "MenuSystem")
- Open DefaultGame.ini and add:

```
[/Script/Engine.GameSession]
MaxPlayers=100
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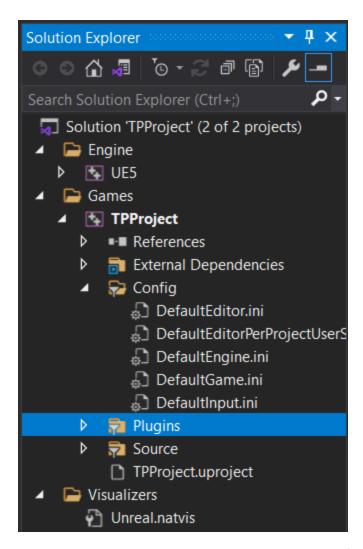
• Compile the Visual Studio Project (CTRL + SHIFT + B)

# 3. Add the Plugin to the Project Folder

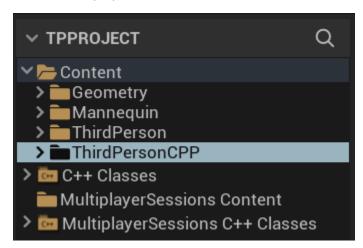
• Copy the Plugins folder into your project:

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- Inside Plugins, you should see MultiplayerSessions
- Close Unreal Engine and Visual Studio. Delete your Binaries, Intermediate, and Saved folders. Right-click your .uproject and select Generate Visual Studio project files.
- Open your Visual Studio project solution (.sln). You should now see a Plugins folder in the Solution Explorer



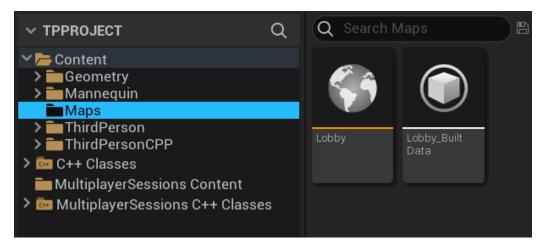
- Open your project in Unreal Engine. It will ask if you would like to rebuild modules. Select **Yes**.
- In the Content Browser, click Settings. Check **Show Plugin Content**.
- You will now have two extra folders in the Content Browser: Multiplayer Sessions Content and Multiplayer Sessions C++ Classes.



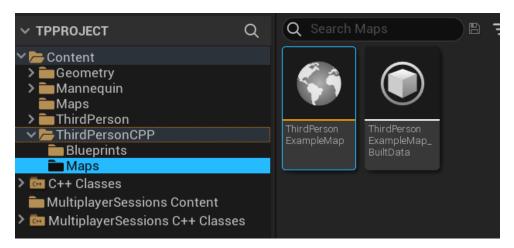
• Go to the Multiplayer Sessions Content folder. There is a Widget Blueprint called WBP\_Menu.

## 4. Create a Lobby Level

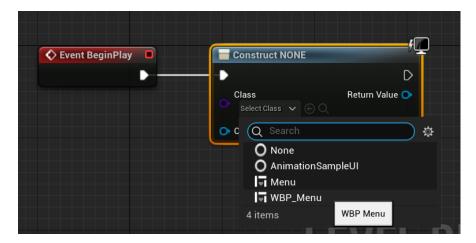
• Create a new level, and save it in your project (it doesn't matter where you save it or what you name it)



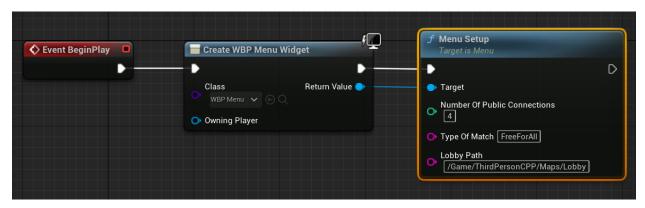
Open your starting level.



• Open the Level Blueprint. Use Create Widget to create a new widget, selecting **WBP\_Menu** as the widget class. Connect this to **Begin Play**.



• Drag off of the Return Value output and search for Menu Setup. Select it.

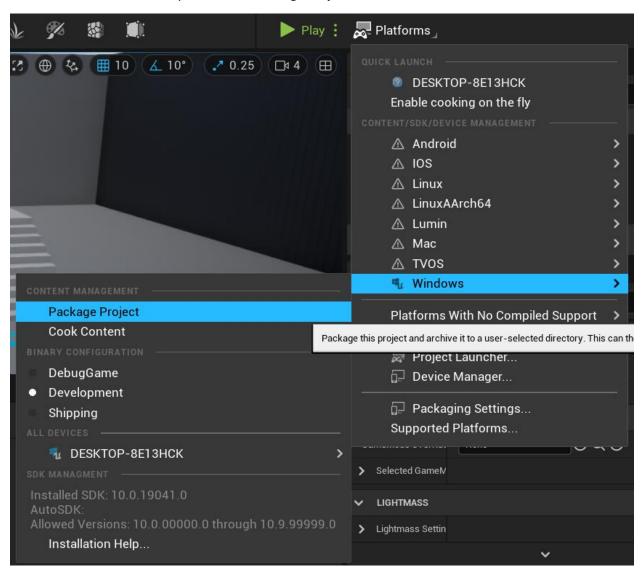


- Change the Number of Public Connections to the number of players you want in your game
- Change the lobby path to the path to your lobby level (use /Game/ instead of /Content/) and leave out the .umap extension.

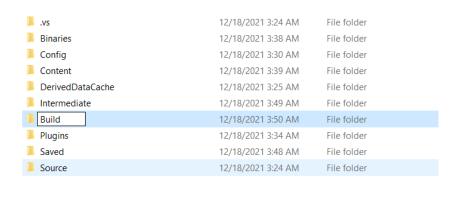


## 5. Play Test the Game

• Go to Platforms -> <platform> -> Package Project.

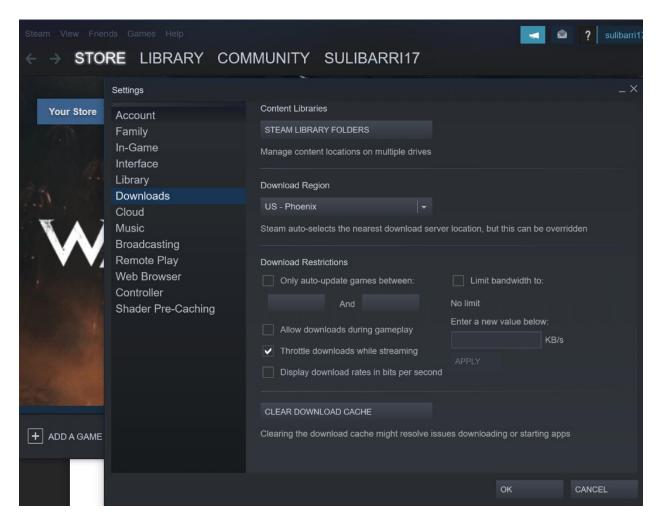


Create a new folder or select a folder destination





- Click Select Folder
- Upload to a Google drive (or anywhere else) and download it onto a second machine
- Run the Steam client in the background. Make sure both computers are set to the same region (Steam -> Settings -> Downloads -> Download Region).



- On one machine, launch the game and click Host
- On the other machine, launch the game and click Join
- Test Play!