# Dallas Coggins

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## Summary

Game developer and software engineer with strong experience in C++, Unreal Engine, and multiplayer systems. Skilled in game mechanics design, real-time networking, and performance optimization. Passionate about building engaging interactive experiences through collaboration and innovation.

#### **EDUCATION**

# Texas A&M University

College Station, TX

B.S. in Computer Science, Minor in Cybersecurity & Game Development

Aug 2021 - May 2025

GPA: 3.94/4.0

## EXPERIENCE

## Software Developer

Nov 2023 - Present

College Station, TX

 $LIVE\ Lab,\ Texas\ A \&M\ University$ 

- Developed interactive gameplay systems and optimized performance in Unreal Engine 5 using C++.
- Built peer-to-peer multiplayer systems and network replication strategies.

## Software Engineer

Jan 2024 – May 2024

Team Up: Apps for Good

College Station, TX

- Led development of a CRM module in a full-stack app using Rails and React, following Agile practices.
- Implemented backend features, integrated user authentication, and managed deployment with AWS.

## Projects

#### PlayerAnalyticsPlugin (Capstone) | C++, Unreal Engine 5, Flask

Jan 2025 - May 2025

- Created a UE5 plugin that sends gameplay data to a Flask server for real-time analytics.
- Exposed project settings for easy configuration of server IP and auth token.

# Calamity Crew (LIVE Lab) | Unreal Engine 5, C++, Multiplayer

2024

- Built multiplayer networking layer for a cooperative game using custom replication strategies.
- Optimized bandwidth usage and ensured consistent state sync across clients.

# Plugged In (Chillennium Winner) | Unity, C#

Feb 2024

- Won 1st place at Chillennium 2024 with a grappling hook-based 2D platformer.
- Designed mechanics, programmed player movement, and collaborated on level design.

### Who's Afraid of the Dark? | Unity, C#

Feb 2025

- 3rd place Chillennium game about light-based stealth and pursuit mechanics.
- Led design and level development; implemented core mechanics in Unity.

# LEADERSHIP

#### Texas Aggie Game Developers | Treasurer

Aug 2022 - Jul 2024

• Conducted game dev workshops and managed finances for a student organization of 100+ members.

#### TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: C++, C#, Python, JavaScript, HTML/CSS

**Engines**: Unreal Engine 5, Unity, Godot

Tools: Git, Perforce, Plastic SCM, VS Code, Visual Studio, GitHub Actions

Other: Multiplayer Networking, Game Design, Performance Optimization, Plugin Development