

# DAVID NICHOL - GAMEPLAY PROGRAMMER

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Passionate game programmer with strong collaboration skills that is eager to interface with a diverse team to create great games.

## SOFTWARE EXPERIENCE

**Intern Data Analyst/Programmer** — STIGMA App, Chicago IL ARIL 2022 - PRESENT

- Interface with Heap Analytics to create and run reports on data for new user acquisition, maintain and work on SQL database, write JavaScript for the backend of a website.

**Intern Game Programmer** — Dark Catt Studios, Saint Charles IL JANUARY 2019 - MAY 2019

- Blueprint and C++ in Unreal Engine, QA and testing of VR applications, Insight from tenured developers on industry hardware and software standards, as well as mentorship from senior programmers on best C++ practices.

## EDUCATION

BA, Game Programming  
**Columbia College Chicago**  
AUGUST 2018 - MAY 2022

## SKILLS

C# | C++ | Unity | Source Control with Git  
Unreal - C++ and Blueprint | Team Collaboration  
Java | Math/Physics | AI | HTML, CSS, Javascript

## NOTABLE PROJECTS

  **Project Nova** - 2022 (Team)

- Weapon system, lightweight interaction system, state system, large focus on SOC

   **Paper Flight** - 2022 (Team)

- Integration of a custom spline editor for simulated flight path
- Smooth movement along a path with custom ease in-ease out algorithm
- General optimization for VR, tech lead

  **Ultra Fall** - 2021 (Solo)

- 2D rigidbody movement system, AI, procedural generation, UI, powerup system

  **ECS Fractals** - 2020 (Solo)

- 3D Fractal Generation with Unity's early access ECS Framework
- Multithreading with Unity's Jobs Framework

## OTHER EXPERIENCE

**Computer Technician** — UR1Stop, Schaumburg IL JUL 2021 - MAR 2022

- In-depth testing and repair of laptops, desktops and consoles.

**Farm Hand** — Jim's Pumpkin Farm, Elgin IL AUG 2020 - OCT 2020

- Picking, loading and selling pumpkins.

**Bike Delivery Driver** — Jimmy John's, Chicago IL OCT 2019 - MAY 2020

- Make and deliver sandwiches with speed, teamwork and accountability.

**Busser, Foodrunner, Prep Chef** — Patten House, Geneva IL NOV 2016 - AUG 2018

- Clean tables and kitchen, assist waiters, deliver food to tables, cut and prep meat and vegetables.

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