## Gwen Chaves

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## **Skills**

Autonomy
Analytical Thinking
Problem Solving
Organization
Strong Work Ethic
Reliability

# Technical Qualifications

#### **Programming:**

Java, C#, C++, JavaScript, Python, HTML, Lua

**Microsoft Office Suite** 

**Photoshop** 

**Affinity Designer** 

**Substance Painter** 

**Unreal Engine & Unity** 

3Ds Max, Maya, Blender

**MotionBuilder** 

**Davinci Resolve** 

(certified for Fusion FX)

## **Work Experience**

#### **Teaching Assistant - George Mason University**

January 2025 - Present

- Assists CS 325, Intro to Game Design
- Answers students' questions and assists in-class code demos and tutorials

#### **Observatory Tour Guide - George Mason University**

August 2024 - Present

- Maintains and provides support for the 32" Geller Observatory
- Gives educational tours to students and the general public

#### Writing Consultant - George Mason University

February 2023 - Present

- Provides support and teaching to undergraduate and graduate writers across various disciplines
- Nominated for Consultant of the Year (2024)

#### **Technology Assistant - Fairfax County Public Schools**

June 2019 - October 2022

- Provided IT support to South County High School, managing and resolving tickets for students and staff
- Managed over 2,000 laptops for student use and automated several maintenance workflows
- Facilitated the transition of South County to "one-to-one", providing each student with a laptop and removing and decommissioning old hardware

### **Education**

#### BFA Video Game Design & Production, Computer Science minor

George Mason University (expected graduation May 2025)

#### Awards and Honors:

- Dean's List (August 2021 Present)
- Magna cum laude (expected)

#### **Extracurricular Activities:**

- Friends of the Observatory (FOTO) President
- Film Appreciation Society (FAS) Founder
- Aerospace Engineering Club President
- HackOverFlow Founding Member, Rules and Judging
- Boy Scouts of America Order of the Arrow

## **Personal Projects**

- Time S H I F T Selected for showcase at GAMEMason 2024
- Cyclogenesis Physics-based storm chasing game
- Time Bound Arcade cabinet shooter with up to 4 person co-op
- Factorio & BeamNG.drive Modding Combined 71K+ downloads
- · Portfolio Site Built using Tailwind and Next.js