Ian Stolte | Gameplay Programmer

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Technical Skills

- Languages: C++, C#, Java, Python, web development with HTML, CSS, JavaScript, and SQL
- Game Engines: 4+ years of Unity expertise, proficiency with Unreal Engine 5
- Version Control: GitHub, Perforce (used both with Unity & Unreal)

Creative Skills

- Digital Art: 2D character art, UI design, 3D modeling & animation, VFX & shader programming
- Audio: Music composition and dynamic audio programming in Unity

Game Projects

Mantle — **Software Engineer (Unity)**

Aug. 2024 - May 2025

- Worked as 1 of only 3 programmers on this thesis project, creating gameplay features for a team of 27
- Took a leadership role, implementing work from all other departments and helping to set coding and design standards for the project

BLUE — Gameplay Programmer (UE5)

Aug. 2025 - Present

- Developed clear and maintainable design docs, technical specifications, and roadmaps for a team of 30+
- Wrote C++ code in Unreal Engine to create a physics-based spaceship building system

Version: Zero — **Director** (**Unity**)

March 2025 - Present

Expected Grad: May 2028

- Spent 6 months developing a full-length sci-fi roguelike for release on Steam, recruiting & directing a small team, organizing task management, and marketing the game to players via Discord and in-person events
- Wrote all the code for this project, including an innovative modular ability creation system

Education

University of Southern California

Bachelor of Computer Science (Games)

Lakeside High School

Class of 2024

4.0 GPA, National Merit Scholar Finalist

- Led a three-person team through a semester-long game industry simulation, building a polished LAN multiplayer game
- Took 3 years of computer science, completing every CS course offered

Work Experience

Lakeside Investigate Learning Camp — Counselor

Summer 2024

- Taught classes to 5th-8th graders, managed rooms of 20 students, supported struggling students during class
- Improved efficiency of cleaning, setup, and check-out procedures by designing and leading new systems

Mathnasium — Instructor

Aug. 2022 - Feb. 2023

- Tutored 2nd-12th graders in math, providing one-on-one explanations and personalized feedback
- Collaborated with a team of instructors to manage rooms of 16 kids and keep students engaged