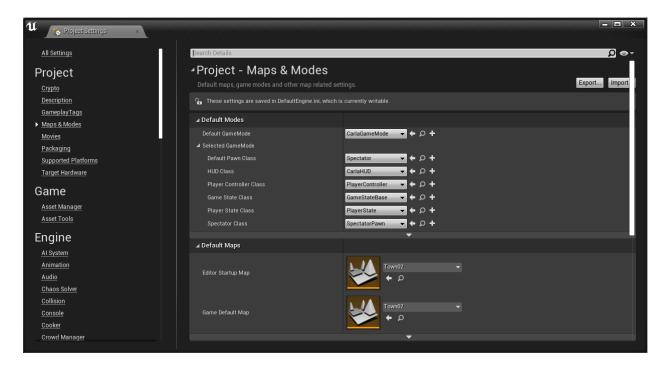
VR Setup Guide for Carla VR Chair Addon

This guide explains how to configure and experience the Carla VR Chair Addon in **Virtual Reality (VR)** using the **Unreal Editor**. It is based on **SteamVR** and tested with the **HTC Vive** headset, but the setup can be adapted to other headsets as well.

1. Project Settings Configuration

Before starting, ensure that the project settings match those required for a seated VR setup. A great reference for this is the Unreal Engine documentation: <u>Set Up a Seated Camera for SteamVR in Unreal Engine</u>

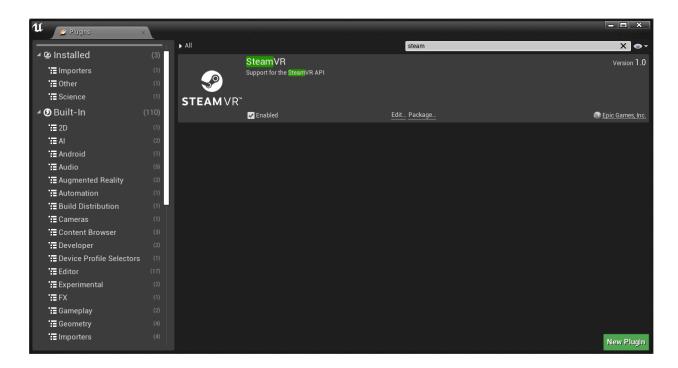
- Open the project settings via Edit → Project Settings.
- Verify that your configuration matches.



2. Enabling the SteamVR Plugin

To enable VR functionality:

- Go to Edit → Plugins in the Unreal Editor.
- Search for SteamVR and ensure it is enabled.
- Restart the Unreal Editor if prompted.



This project was developed using the **HTC Vive** headset, but SteamVR should work with other compatible headsets.

If using the HTC Vive with wireless capability, ensure the **VIVE Wireless app** is open and running before launching VR mode.

For other headsets, consult the manufacturer's documentation for specific setup requirements.

3. Using the VR-Enabled Vehicle

The vehicle pre-configured for VR integration in this project is: MercedesCCC_VR

To place and configure it in your scene:

- In the Content Browser, navigate to: Content/Carla/Blueprints/Vehicles/MercedesCCC_VR
- 2. Drag the blueprint into the **viewport** to place it in the world.
- 3. In the **World Outliner**, select the placed vehicle.
- 4. In the **Details** panel, search for **Auto Possess Player**.
- 5. Set Auto Possess Player to Player 0.

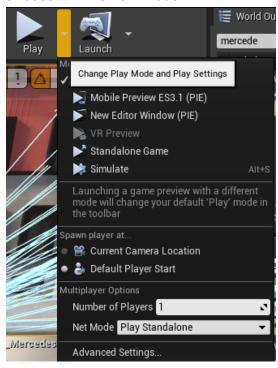
This ensures the player will automatically control the VR-enabled vehicle at runtime.



4. Launching the VR Experience

To begin gameplay in VR:

- 1. In the top toolbar of Unreal Editor, select the dropdown next to Play.
- 2. Choose VR Preview mode.



If **VR Preview** is greyed out:

- Ensure your headset software is running (e.g., SteamVR, VIVE Console, or other).
- Recompile if needed with make launch.

5. Adjusting VR Camera Offset

If the VR camera appears misaligned or out of place when gameplay starts, you can adjust its position:

- Open the MercedesCCC_VR blueprint.
- Locate the SetRelativeLocation node used for the VR camera.
- Modify the location values as needed to align the camera properly with the seat or viewpoint.

This allows fine-tuning for different users or hardware setups.



6.Vehicle Control Setup

The controls for the **steering wheel and pedals**, which are physically connected and interact with the VR system, are explained in a separate document.

Please refer to the upcoming **Vehicle Control Setup PDF** for detailed configuration of input devices and gameplay logic.

Final Notes

- This VR setup has been tested only on Windows using HTC Vive and SteamVR.
 The setup assumes the use of the developer version of CARLA 0.9.15.
- Any headset supported by SteamVR should work, but each may require specific configuration steps.
- For additional help on VR topics, refer to Unreal Engine VR Documentation.