Nick Pleva

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Education

University of Vermont (UVM), Burlington, VT

Bachelor of Computer Science

Expected Graduation: May 2026

Major GPA: 3.7

Relevant coursework: Website Development, Algorithm Design and Analysis, Database Systems, Cybersecurity, Intro to Artificial Intelligence, Mobile App Development, Machine Learning

Yonsei University, Seoul, South Korea

Spring Semester, 2025

Semester Study Abroad

Relevant coursework: Participated in a research study by Theodore Jun Yoo on how video games can create connections with people and cultures across the globe, as well as improve language learning skills.

Technical Skills

- Python
- Java
- Git/Github
- RaspberryPi
- Project Management

- C++/C
- SOL/SOLite
- HTML/CSS/Javascript Visual Studio Code
- Communications

Related Projects

Restaurant Database with User Interface, University of Vermont, VT

November 2024 - December 2024

- Two person project coded primarily in Python and SQL, using the Pandas extension to access SQL databases
- Crafted a UI displayed in the terminal to interact and travel through the different functions
- Program functionality includes ordering food, placing reservations, as well as admin access to edit menu, etc.
- Front end is Python, with it resting on a back end running various SQL queries

Dodge Game, University of Vermont, VT - https://github.com/ashleyk26/Collect and dodge game January 2024 - May 2024

- Collaborative project where we created a game using C++ and a Graphics Engine that uses Open GL
- Screens are travelled through user input, where each screen is tied to enumerated values
- Gameplay is to use the arrow keys to move around the screen; Goal is to collect supplies while dodging enemies
- Created graphics that showed lives remaining as well as a safe zone for the player

Piano Teacher Program, University of Vermont, VT

September 2023 - December 2023

- Built a mini functional piano in a team of three using a Raspberry Pi to detect inputs when keys were pressed
- A UI was also made using HTML/CSS to select and show you how to play different simple songs
- The physical piano contained buttons for the keys, along with lights to show what keys to press
- The back end code for this project was primarily Python
- Make fully functional prototype and presented it at the UVM Computer Science Fair

Work Experience

Teacher's Assistant for CS Evening TA Hours - Burlington, VT

August 2024 - Present

University of Vermont

- Provide assistance to students from many of UVM's computer science classes, which use Python, Java, C++, and SQL.
- Help students if they have any questions from class and guide them to better understand the material in the courses

Counselor for Community Education - Chelmsford, MA

August 2021 - August 2024

Chelmsford Community Education

Afterschool Pre-k Junior Counselor

August 2021 - June 2022

Summer Camp Counselor - SummerFest (Elementery)

July 2021 - August 2022

Summer Camp Counselor - SummerQuest (Middle School)

Summers July 2023 - August 2025

- Assisted with teaching a pre-k class, as well as make sure they were safe while playing after learning
- Lead multiple activities at SummerFest, ranging from active games outside to different crafts and puzzles indoors
- Accompanied 40 middle schoolers on daily fieldtrips, making sure they had a fun and safe time during the trips.

Achievements & Extracurricular

Boy Scouts - Chelmsford, MA

Fall 2015 - February 2022

Troop 75, Chelmsford, Spirit of Adventure Council, Scouting America

- Lead countless meetings, campouts, and service projects
- Heavily involved with planning, running, and instruction activities in the troop

Eagle Scout Award & Project - Planned, fundraised, and built handicap accessible picnic tables for a local park

May 2022