KATHARINE TENA

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PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

Full Portfolio at katharinetena.my.canva.site

2024
"We are in a Game" Digital Narrative and Interactive Design Class
- Designed a classic platformer based on *We Are in a Book!* by Mo Willams
- Displayed level design
- Provided assets and animation

2024
"Garden of Unity" Games for Social Impact Game Jam
- Worked in a group of four to tackle the prompt "public"
- Designed characters to represent each team member's background
- Designed farming experience to emphasize community and celebrating differences
- Ranked 4th in Jammer's Choice

2022
"Crow Game" Champlain College Game Academy
- Worked with a group of 5 to create a game within a week
- Designed the experience of a crow collecting shiny treasures scattered around a mountain
- Programmed the player character and collection mechanisms
- Organized the team's time and divided workload to reach the deadline

WORK EXPERIENCE

Summer 2024 - present
Pitt Climbing Wall Instructor and Manager
Instructing Bouldering and Top Rope, Planning Programs, and resolving any issues with scheduling

2024 - present
Lead Barkada Choreographer
Filipino dance team, styles of Tinikling, Candle Dancing, and Bench Dancing

2021–2022
Bravo Italian Kitchen Host
Scheduling reservations and greeting guests

INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE

Summer 2025
ASL–BSL Comparative Analysis; Edinburgh, Scotland
- Interaction and comparison between American and British Deaf Culture
- Immersion in both ASL and BSL

SUMMARY

Undergraduate focusing on game design with experience in programming, art, and project management. Excellent leadership and organizational skills, with experience leading a team and ensuring deliverables are completed on time.

EDUCATION

2023 - present, Projected Graduation Spring 2027
University of Pittsburgh
- **Bachelor of Science in** Digital Narrative and Interactive Design ; Game Design Track
  - Blending Information Science skills with writing and narrative to convey ideas through interactive mediums
- **Minor:** Information Science
- **Certificate:** American Sign Language

GPA : 3.855

2019 – 2023
Bethel Park High School
National Merit Commended Scholar
Unweighted GPA : 4.0

RELEVANT COURSES

- Animation Studies
- Digital Humanities
- Game, Story, Play
- Composing Digital Media
- Human Centered Systems
- Analysis of Information Systems
- Computation in Information Science
- Game Design

ADDITIONAL SKILLS

Java	ASL (Up to Level 4)
SQL	Interpersonal Communication
Python	Public Speaking
C#	Microsoft Office/Excel

PERSONAL INTERESTS

Board Games	Dancing
Climbing	Filipino Student Association
Painting	

More Information and References Available Upon Request