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EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science Degree in Game Design, Minor in Game Programming   **May 2026**
- **GPA 3.8**   *Champlain College, Burlington, VT*

SKILL PROFICIENCIES

- Tortoise SVN; Git Bash & GitHub
- Unity; Unreal Engine 5.5.2
- C++; Visual Basic; C#; Blueprints
- Jira; Confluence; SourceTree;

- Agile project management
- Project scoping
- QA Testing
- Visual design documentation

PROJECT EXPERIENCE

A Squirrel Story - Puzzle Platformer   **January 2025 - May 2025**

Lead Designer, Product Owner   *Champlain College , Burlington, VT*
- Led the design and product direction captured in visual design documents for a 14-member team, ensuring a consistent creative vision across all aspects of the game.
- Iterated on and implemented gameplay features in Unreal Engine to maintain consistent design vision, and to deliver a well polished final product.
- Applied Agile project management methodologies through Jira and Confluence to track sprint progress, and ensure deliverables were completed on time.
- Maintained project scope over the duration of development, choosing how to either evolve or cut specific elements due to strict time constraints.
- Managed version control utilizing SouceTree and Tortoise SVN to coordinate level and asset updates between designers, artists, and programmers.

Chop-Off! - Educational Game   **April 2024 - May 2024**

Designer   *Champlain College, Burlington, VT*
- Created and implemented false loading screens to encourage players to learn more about Lumberjacking, rather than allowing them to simply skip and play.
- Designed and conducted QA tests to identify gameplay and control issues, then implemented gathered feedback to improve pacing and the overall player experience.

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

Online Grocery Shopper (Seasonal)   July 2021 – Present
- Performs quality assurance on picked groceries, and ensure product quantity.   *Walmart, Hinsdale NH*
- Communicates with customers to ensure satisfaction with received items.
- Dispenses completed orders to customers within a sufficient amount of time.
- Collaborate with peers to ensure fluidity in our process.