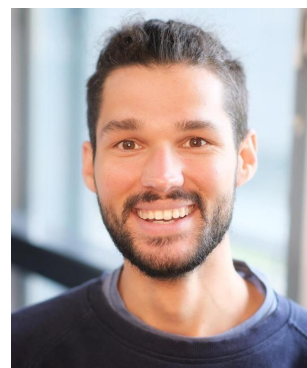# Brandon Startz

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CORE WORK EXPERIENCES

VR-developer, Helsinki, Finland
Freelancing: Ongoing
- Unity: Project design and interface development
- C# programming in VR environments for Oculus Rift, Quest 1 and 2
- **Core skills:** Systems analysis, project management, programming

Research Assistant: March 2020 – May 2021
MegaSense, Dept. of Computer Science, Helsinki, Finland
- UX: user journeys, data visualization
- iOS: app mockups and design, iOS mobile app development
- **Core skills:** Designing with Adobe suite, Swift programming

Research Assistant: August 2019 – March 2020
Ubikampus, Dept. of Computer Science, Helsinki, Finland
- IoT development: voice and QR/AR tag recognition for Nokia
- Work with consulting firm designing and developing Android application for the University of Helsinki
- **Core skills:** software development, IoT applications

Research Assistant: Jan. 2018 – July 2019
Ubiquitous Interaction (Human-Computer Interaction) Group, Dept. of Computer Science, Helsinki, Finland
- Co-development of an affective conversational agent with NLP for aiding users with mental health issues https://coadapt-project.eu/
- User research and prototyping for audience-targeted IT-projects
- **Core skills:** User research, prototyping, biometric equipment

EDUCATION

Masters of Arts in Video Game Design and Production
Aalto University - Helsinki, Finland
Minor in Human-Computer interaction
Core skills: User experience, user interfaces, game programming
Aug. 2020 - Present

Bachelor of Science in Psychology
Bachelor of Arts in Spanish
Oklahoma State University - Stillwater, OK, USA
Minor in Cognitive Science
Aug. 2013 - May 2018

PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES

C# - Game Programming
Python - Recreational
Swift - iOS app development

DESIGN SOFTWARE

Adobe Photoshop
Adobe XD
Figma

LANGUAGES

English - Mother tongue
Spanish - Conversational
Italian - Conversational
Swedish - Beginner
Finnish - Beginner

GROUP AFFILIATIONS

Games and Media Hub: Founder and President. Game developers community.

Intelligenzia: University of Helsinki Cognitive Science student group.