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EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science in Computer Game Design with Honors

August 2021

University of California, Santa Cruz

SKILLS

Software and Development: **UE5**, **UE4**, **Godot**, Unity, Git, Perforce, Unix, Phaser 3, JavaFX, Programming Languages: **C++**, **C#**, **GDScript**, JavaScript, Python, Java, C, HTML

EMPLOYMENT

Software Development Engineer in Test – Lionbridge

July 2024 – Present

Game Engineer – Arctic 7 January 2023 – January 2024

Software Engineer I – GameSim Inc. (formerly Marching Cube) October 2021 – January 2023

Unity Programmer – Independent Contracting July 2021 – October 2021

Education Volunteer – Aquarium of the Pacific December 2024 – Present

Reader/Tutor – Baskin School of Engineering January 2020 – June 2021

Instructor – iD Tech June 2019 – August 2019

PROJECTS

Towerborne – Lionbridge for Stoic Studio

July 2024 – Present

- Developed and owned Behavior Verification Tests using Unreal Engine's Gauntlet Automation
- Worked with devops to integrate Gauntlet BVTs into CI/CD build systems

Unannounced Project – Arctic7

December 2023 – January 2024

- Owner of narrative interaction system and primary developer of prototype gameplay elements
- Developed friendly squad AI that reacted naturally to player and enemy movement and attacks

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January 2023 – January 2024

- Gave direct support to VFX Tech Artists, including physics rewrites to allow for
- Combat system contributions, including collision, damage interactions, and network replication
- Owned development of Berserker player class and related gameplay functionality

Illumination's Villain-Con Minion Blast – GameSim Inc. for Universal Studios Orlando

November 2021 – January 2023

- Ownership of legacy, project-critical online and networking functionality
- Primary support engineer for technical artists for gameplay-driven visual effects
- Traveled to work onsite in client spaces to assist and lead critical development