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Education

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign (UIUC)

B.S. in Mathematics & Computer Science

Sep 2024 - Expected Dec 2026

GPA: 4.0/4.0

University of Wisconsin Madison

B.S. in Computer Science (Transferred to UIUC in Sep 2024)

Sep 2023 - May 2024

GPA: 4.0/4.0

Projects

Personal Website Development

Independent Developer

Virtual

Aug 2024 – Present

- Built a personal website from scratch using HTML, CSS, and JavaScript.
- Deployed the site via GitHub Pages to demonstrate academic background, projects, and resume in a responsive, user-friendly portfolio format: <https://william-f-12.github.io>.

Minerva Game Studio

Game Programmer

Madison, WI

Sep 2023 – Mar 2025

- Developed a stand-alone rogue-like game using Unity Engine called Library of Meialia: https://store.steampowered.com/app/3102950/Library_of_Meialia/
- Designed and implemented character abilities, and helped language localization to enhance gameplay and accessibility.

Cathaypath Institute of Science Research

Research Group Leader

Virtual

Apr 2021 – August 2021

- Compared various Deep Learning models for mental health detection by analyzing social media posts.
- Led a student research group of 4 and co-authored an IEEE-published paper on Deep Learning's capacity in mental health care: doi.org/10.1109/CompAuto54408.2021.00011.

Leadership

Association for Computing Machinery: SIGPwny

Active Member

Champaign, IL

Sep 2024 – Present

- Practicing Cybersecurity and Hacking skills in a Special Interest Group that focuses on information security under ACM at UIUC.
- Competed in “Catch the Flag” event in a team, applying cybersecurity skills such as git, pwn, cryptography, etc.

National High School Game Academy

Game Programmer

Pittsburgh, PA

Jun 2022 – Aug 2022

- Applied various disciplines of game design such as narrative, sound, art, and coding to make video games.
- Explored Human Computer Interaction with Virtual Reality(VR) to make video games more immersive.
- Created 2 video games in teams: a remake of the classic arcade game Centipede and VR Archery game using Unity Engine and HTC VIVE pro 2 (headset).

Game Design Club

Founder & Leader

Wheaton, IL

Sep 2021 – Jun 2023

- Established a student club that focused on creating stand-alone computer video games.
- Hosted weekly meetings to teach Python, C#, and Unity to members.
- Created a 2D Maze Game, 2D Platformer Game (like Mario), and developed a 3D game demo with OpenAI API in non-player characters (NPC) to make NPCs more realistic and gamer more immersive.

Skills

Languages: Mandarin (Native), English (Fluent), Japanese (Functional)

Technical: C, C++, C#, Java, Python, Unity, Unreal, Git, TensorFlow, LaTeX, Html, Javascript, css