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# **EDUCATION**

## University of Michigan - Ann Arbor

Bachelor of Science, Computer Science

# August 2020 - May 2024

Current Overall GPA 3.90

#### RELEVANT COURSEWORK

- ❖ Introduction to Game Development
- ❖ Data Structures and Algorithms
- Programming Languages
- **❖** Web Systems

- Extended Reality and Society
- ❖ User Interface Development (2024)
- Computer Vision
- Computer Organization

# **PROJECTS & EXPERIENCE**

# Visteon Corporation, Belleville, MI/Product Development Intern

May 2023-August 2023

- Explored the benefits of using Unreal Game Engine for automotive HMI through a Proof of Concept project
- ❖ Collaborated with a cross-functional team in the Godot Game Engine to implement features and optimize performance in order to investigate potential options to enhance the user experience

#### Project Nova, Ann Arbor, MI/Programming Lead

**April 2023—August 2023** 

- Through Wolverine Soft Studio, collaborated with a team of 30 students to create a captivating "2.5D" game in the Unity Game Engine which emulated the gameplay mechanic of the popular title Nova Drift
- Oversaw a team of 8 students. Held weekly meetings, optional office hours, and planned meetings with an industry advisor
- Created the prototype of the game and the architecture of all basic functionality: an encounter system, input and movement scripts, and enemy controller and weapon abstract classes to build on
- ♦ Implemented a Boss, enemy movement scripts, and the game's particle effects
- ♦ Maintained Git Repository and handled merge conflicts that were encountered

#### **Project Drift, Ann Arbor, MI/Programmer**

January 2023-April 2023

- ♦ Through Wolverine Soft Studio, collaborated with a team of 40 students to develop a 2D game in the Unity Game Engine as a case study of the renowned title Hyper Light Drifter
- Member of the level squad, created the encounter system, cutscene manager, and aided with art integration

#### Granny's Day Off, Ann Arbor, MI/Design Lead

October 2022-December 2023

- ♦ Team of 5 developers and a musician, created a 3D, 1v1 3rd person shooter in the Unity Game Engine
- Responsible for the initial designs and concept, NPC and Police's movement behavior, post-processing, art and animation integration. Created the Player, NPC, and Player House 3D models in Blender

# 48 HOUR GAME JAMS / TEAMS OF 3-5

#### Follow the Flock/Wolverine Soft's Shammy Jam/Awarded Best Polish & Aesthetics

March 2022

❖ Responsible for character sprites, background images, and musical track

### **BEE-01/Wolverine Soft's Turkey Jam**

November 2022

♦ Implemented encounter system, enemy controller scripts, health scripts, and damage scripts

## Getting to the Root of It/Global Game Jam

February 2023

❖ Responsible for all art integration, camera movement, and health scripts