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EDUCATION

2024 - Present KELLOGG SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT | MCCORMICK SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

Evanston, IL

Candidate for Joint Degree: MBA, Artificial Intelligence, March 2026

- Involvement: Section Leader, Kellogg Tech, Wilderness, Ski and Snowboard
- Coursework: Leadership in Organizations, MBAi Business Analytics, AI Leaders, Business Strategy

2018 - 2022 AALTO UNIVERSITY

Espoo, Finland

Master of Computer Science

- Involvement: Director of Aalto's Computer Science Guild, Aalto Startup Sauna, and Aalto Music Club
- Coursework: Machine Learning, Artificial Intelligence, Computational User Interface, Information Security

2014 - 2018 UNIVERSITY OF TABRIZ

Tabriz, Iran

Bachelor of Information Technology and Management, GPA: 4.0/4.0

- Involvement: Director of Game Dev Laboratory, VP of Annual Game Conference, Table Tennis Club
- Coursework: Systems Analysis and Design, Design Lab, Advanced Programming

EXPERIENCE

2021 - 2024 QUICKSAVE INTERACTIVE (WEB GAMES & TOOLS SOLUTIONS)

Helsinki, Finland

Senior Product Owner, Tools Engineering

- Led development of company's game-making tool (QS Engine), generating 40% of total revenue and securing licensing contracts with many companies including one of the biggest streaming services in market
- Designed development roadmap, incorporating user stories and user journeys to inform feature prioritization
- Integrated Sentry's API to collect user behavior data, technical errors, and bugs. Iterated UX based on insights, conducting regular cross-functional meetings with stakeholders to align improvements with the product's goals

2021 - 2023 LEGENDS OF LEARNING (MATH & SCIENCE GAMES FOR TEACHERS AND STUDENTS)

Espoo, Finland

- Product Manager, Developer (Remote)
 Led a cross-functional team of 12 Iranian developers to create and launch educational video games, resulting in
- 1,330+ hours of gameplay, 4,050 teacher assignments, and a 4.23/5.0 average feedback rating
 Executed a data-driven go-to-market strategy by studying successful educational games, convincing teachers to

use our games as assignments, leading to top rankings in science and math between all schools in LoL platform

• Enhanced replayability and engagement through user research, increasing monthly retention by ~30%, optimizing input controls using A/B testing to identify student preferences between mousepad and keyboard

2016 - 2022 **VOID GAMES STUDIO (STUDENT-FOUNDED GAME STUDIO)** *Co-Founder, CTO*

Tabriz, Iran

- Led a team of 5 engineers to develop and release a PC game for the global market, generating over \$15K in revenue. Met technical milestones and created documentation to simplify onboarding for new engineers
- Tracked KPIs such as average session length, player progression, and feature adoption. Hosted testing sessions with random students within the school, implementing feedback loops that increased completion rate by 25%
- Orchestrated a collaborative network of developers with diverse skills. Hosted events between digital art and engineering schools for enthusiastic game developers, recruiting top talents, saving studio ~\$4K in the process

2019 - 2021 PAF GAME STUDIO (IN-HOUSE GAME STUDIO OF A NORIC ONLINE CASINO) Software Engineer

Helsinki, Finland

- Developed a no-code game-making tool, accelerating the studio's prototyping pipeline and improving efficiency across two international teams by minimizing redundant steps in the development of casino games
- Led the strategic planning and execution of migrating the company's technical infrastructure to Amazon AWS, collaborating with cloud engineers to align with business goals and reduce operational costs by 20%. Facilitated communication between technical teams and stakeholders to overcome challenges and optimize outcomes
- Directed technical development of studio's most profitable game, generating more than \$2M in gross revenue

ADDITIONAL DATA

- Volunteering: Leading Aalto University's Iranian students club, Career mentor at Aalto University
- Interests: Competitive table tennis player (+15 years), Intermediate Pianist (4 years), Amateur bachatero
- Honors: Innovative Interactive Art Award of Azerbaijan Province, Helsinki Youth Table Tennis Bronze
- Technical Skills: Python, R, SQL, TypeScript, ElectronJS, Git, Java