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EDUCATION

California State Polytechnic University, Pomona

Master of Science in Computer Science | GPA: 4.0

Jan 2023 - Present

Los Angeles County, California, USA

American University of Sharjah

Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering

Aug 2017 - Jan 2022 Sharjah, UAE

Purdue University Fort Wayne

Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering

Jan 2020 - May 2020 Indiana, USA

WORK EXPERIENCE

Google - Product Tester for Google Gen AI Usability Research Study

25 September 2023

Collaborated with 12 Google employees over an 8-hour research session to test Google's GenAl LLM product, MakerSuite, providing actionable feedback

Cal Poly Pomona - Research Assistant - VR (Virtual Reality) + BCI (Brain Computer Interfaces) - (https://youtu.be/XE-F9KPwBIg)

June 2024 - Present

- Collaborated with a multidisciplinary team to develop a **VR eVTOL flying simulation** funded by the **U.S. Air Force**, leveraging Unity, XR Interaction Toolkit 2.0, and Gaia Pro to create immersive environments and enhanced simulation realism by optimizing flight physics parameters using the Silantro toolkit
- Integrated real-time physiological and neurological **data collection into Unity** using Biopac Ring (EDA, ECG, PPG, skin temperature) and Emotiv headset (brainwaves) via Lab Streaming Layer (LSL), enabling enhanced user experience evaluation by **visualizing metrics in VR** simulation
- Implemented multi-angle camera views within the cockpit using textures, improving situational awareness for enhanced flight simulation experiences
- Achieved significant VR performance optimization for heavy environments by reducing polycounts to 155k using occlusion culling, disabling shadows, modifying rendering pipeline settings, and performing light mapping, resulting in smoother user experiences on XR headsets
- Tested and optimized the simulation for Meta Quest 2, Pro, 3, and 3s XR headsets, resolving compatibility challenges
- Designed a motion sickness assessment framework to evaluate the feasibility of eVTOL deployment providing data-driven insights for public adoption
- Conducted an in-depth literature review of 40 academic papers, shaping the project's development strategy and contributing key insights for a publication

Cal Poly Pomona - VR/AR Lab Assistant & Technical Instructor (https://youtu.be/3YJtp8Crjik)

September 2024 – Present

- Conducted 4 immersive XR workshops (2 hours each), equipping 54 students with Unity skills for VR game & app development and recruiting 20 students
 Mentored and collaborated weekly with 5 teams (4 members each) on innovative XR game & app development, providing technical guidance, fostering
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Rizek, Dubai, UAE - IT Intern (UI/UX Design)

June 2019 – August 2019

Conducted usability analysis and performed a UI/UX redesign, resulting in an increase in user engagement and retention for their mobile app by 13%

PROJECT EXPERIENCE

XR Mind Mapping App - Brainstorm ideas and work on them in MR/VR - (https://youtu.be/e5DMfq4i4cA)

June 2024 – Present

- Developed an interactive Mixed Reality (MR) spatial mind mapping app using XR Interaction Toolkit (XRITK 3.0), implementing a custom input controller that allowed users to create notes, open browsers, and connect nodes using controllers or hand tracking, enhancing brainstorming efficiency
- Designed and **implemented dynamic connections** that update positions based on note movements and **recursively delete connections** from the scene and from the stored JSON data, streamlining user interactions and improving app usability
- Developed a robust load/save system for note and connection configurations as JSON files, enabling seamless mind map saving and retrieval
- Integrating a speech-to-text system connected to a Large Language Model (LLM), enabling users to create **procedurally generated content** within the VR environment, enhancing creative workflows.

More Projects:

- Launched an immersive VR/AR Birthday/Anniversary Experience app on the Meta Quest App Store, developed in Unity for Meta Quest 3, optimizing Universal Render Pipeline (URP) and build settings to enhance performance and user experience (https://youtu.be/07rKWHxRN2g)
- Developing an XR Book Reading app that immerses users in 3D environments powered by GenAI, transforming text that users read into visual narratives
- Collaborated with a team of 4 on **GitHub** to develop a **3D gravity-shifting game** in Unity, enhancing gameplay with custom materials, textures, and **shaders** to create visually compelling lava effects during **level design** (https://youtu.be/8y16fGXxi3U)
- Created a **Python automation** script leveraging **YouTube Data API v3** to format, schedule, and publish 100 short videos daily (<u>youtu.be/3qAJrQKENy8</u>)
- Built an automotive watch brand in Shopify using HTML, CSS, JavaScript and collected \$20K in revenue with 60% profit via organic digital marketing

PUBLICATIONS & AWARDS

• "Towards Automating Social Distance Violations Using AIoT". 2021 IEEE 6th International Forum on Research and Technology for Society and Industry (RTSI), pages: 524-528

SKILLS

- Technical: Unity, C#, XR Interaction Toolkit 3.0 & 2.0 (XRI), OpenXR, Oculus SDK, Python, C++, Blender, Figma, Final Cut Pro, Adobe Photoshop
- Conceptual: Virtual & Augmented Reality, Game Development, Graphic Design, 3D Modelling, Coding, Multimedia formats
- Soft: Strong verbal communication, Strong written communication, Analytical skills, Organizational skills, Problem-solving skills, Independent work capability, Team collaboration, Attention to detail, Task management