

DREW GRAHAM

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I make the games I want to play

SKILLS

Programming Languages: C#, C++, Java, Javascript, Python, Scheme/Racket

Technologies: Unity, Git, Unix, Photoshop/Illustrator, Maya/Mudbox, NodeJS

General:

- Disaster management
- Breaking large problems into small, manageable tasks
- Visualizing complex systems in UML form
- Jumping headfirst into unfamiliar territory
- Embracing what I know (and acknowledging what I don't)

WORK

Bayada Home Health Care

Software Developer

Moorestown, NJ

*Fall 2016 -
Spring 2017*

- Familiarized self with full-stack development, from dev-ops to database
- Developed AngularJS web applications used by clients and employees
- Extended C#/.NET backend functionality via test-driven development
 - Regression testing in Fittness allowed us to verify that previous features continued to work as expected
- Created SQL stored procedures to integrate applications with the database
- Assessed viable protocols for integrating employee SSO (single-sign-on)
 - Consolidated numerous employee credentials (used for various enterprise services) into one Bayada account
 - This bolstered security by safeguarding credentials from data breaches suffered by those services

Acention

Unity Developer

Philadelphia, PA

*Fall 2017 -
Spring 2018*

- Wrote and maintained networking infrastructure used to connect players
- Spearheaded creation of company's newest game, Highway Heist
- Drafted and implemented player profile customization features
 - Players could distinguish their avatar with unlockable cosmetics
 - This provided an engaging progression system to supplement the core gameplay loop
- Ensured quality by testing builds thoroughly before releasing to players

Night Kitchen Interactive

Unity Developer

Philadelphia, PA

Fall 2018 -
Spring 2019

- Created interactive digital experiences for local art institutions, museums, and companies
 - Developed UI and map functionality for Lost & Founders, a location-based AR app, to more effectively engage users with historical figures
 - Created Xfinity AR app used to train Comcast technicians, leveraging mixed-reality interaction for more effective training results
- Documented iOS TestFlight build procedure to greatly expedite future builds for developers
- Rebuilt/maintained company website during DDOS attack
 - Recovered MySQL database from old backups
 - Quickly designed frontend to mimic behavior of site before attack
 - Propped up quick-and-dirty webpage to replace old one within a few days

PROJECTS

Ikigai

Senior Design Project

Drexel University

Fall 2020 - Present

- Perspective-based 2D/3D puzzle game set in Japanese Ukiyo-e painting
- Delegated programming tasks based on design team's feature requests
- Trained design team to participate in proper Git workflow
 - This expedited our development pace and mitigated version control issues
- Created robust Player / Actor system
 - Seamlessly integrates complex features such as character swapping, perspective switching, and actor-specific UI updates
- Conducted frequent code reviews to ensure best practices were followed

Holy Tester

Class Project

Drexel University

Summer 2019

- A procedurally-generated roguelike dungeon crawler
- Designed and implemented dynamic, modular, and robust enemy AI system
 - Enemy Tactic System granted enemies the ability to adapt behavior on the fly
 - Careful design considerations led to extensive code reuse, reduced development time, and unique enemy behaviors
- Integrated enemies into procedural level generation procedure
 - Configurable settings allowed designers to control which enemies could appear on a per-room basis
 - This allowed each room to have a pseudo-random batch of enemies (within bounds set by designers)

It's Haunt Time!

Class Project

- Mobile puzzle game where you play a ghost haunting a house
- Spearheaded development of modular interaction system used to implement game mechanics
 - This enabled our developers to quickly implement set pieces conceived by designers
- Implemented intuitive, pick-up-and-play touch controls
- Ensured compatibility with a range of devices and operating systems through Android build pipeline

Drexel University

Spring 2019

Surface Tension

Class Project

- Puzzle-platforming game based on manipulating surfaces
- Drove development of systems controlling player/surface mechanics
- Led level development pipeline
 - This empowered our designers, shortening time to produce a level from days to hours
 - This resulted in over 20 playable levels created within 5 weeks

Drexel University

Spring 2018

This Is Trump

Hackathon Game

- 2D side-scrolling parody game about Donald Trump running for president
- Created animated sprites for Trump and his enemies, the Bad Hombres and Biased Liberal Media
- Programmed player controls, enemy AI, game loop, etc. in C#
- Designed algorithm to control spawning, movement, etc. for enemy waves of increasing intensity

YCP Hacks

Fall 2016 -

Spring 2017

EDUCATION

Drexel University

College of Computing and Informatics – 3.10 GPA

- Major in Computer Science
- Concentration in Game Development and AI Programming
- Expected Graduation: June 2020

Philadelphia, PA

Fall 2015 –

Summer 2020

Relevant Coursework:

Computer Science

- Multivariate Calculus
- Linear Algebra
- Discrete Mathematics
- Machine Learning
- Artificial Intelligence
- Systems Architecture/Programming
- Software Design/Engineering

Game Development / Production

- Game Development Foundations
- Game Development Workshop
- Experimental Game Development
- Game AI
- Animation
- Computer Graphics Imagery

PERSONAL

Awards:

- Eagle Scout, 2015
- Drexel Office of Disability Resources Endorsed Note Taker, 2017

Hobbies:

- Skateboarding
- Cooking
- Gaming
- Skydiving
- Fishing
- DIY

Bucket List:

- Learn to kickflip
- Buy a house
- Go skydiving (higher)
- Develop an AI that becomes sentient and tries to kill me

Underrated Movie: Super Mario Bros.

Underrated Game: VA-11 HALL-A

Underrated Show: Nathan For You