

# Ethan Bender

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## Technical Skills

- **Languages:** C, Java, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Assembly
- **Tools & Frameworks:** Git, Three.js, React, LaTeX, Java Swing/AWT, Makefile
- **Methodologies:** Test-Driven Development (TDD), Continuous Integration (CI), Object-Oriented Design (OOD)

## Projects

### Conway's 'Game of Life' with Java GUI

April - June 2024

*Java, Java Swing/AWT*

- Implemented a fully interactive simulation of Conway's Game of Life with a GUI and customizable grid colors.
- Developed event-driven controls for cell placement, cursor movement, and simulation start/stop.
- Incorporated file I/O for saving/loading patterns and implemented timers for automated cell updates.

### EASy68k Assembly Pacman

October 2025 - December 2025

*EASy68k Assembly, Python*

- Designed and recreated a fully functional Pacman replica inside of the EASy68k Simulator for the Motorola 68000. Implemented input polling, drawing sprites to the screen with animation, and a simple ghost AI.

### Portfolio Website

[ebende03.github.io/portfolio](https://ebende03.github.io/portfolio) – December 2024 - Present

*HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Three.js, GitHub Pages*

- Developed a personal site showcasing projects, hosted via GitHub Pages.
- Implemented an interactive 3D background using Three.js, with real-time animations and user-responsive effects to enhance UX.

## Work & Volunteer Experience

### Residential Mover

April - September 2025

*Evergreen Transfer*

- Adapted quickly to fast-paced, physically demanding work environment.
- Emphasized teamwork and communication skills.

### Car Detailer

April - September 2024

*John Bear New Hamburg*

- Honed attention to detail and efficiency while cleaning and restoring vehicles.
- Developed strong time management and teamwork skills while coordinating tasks with colleagues.

### Jujitsu Assistant Instructor

2019-2024

*Wilnot Jujitsu*

- Support teaching of Shinki Ryu Jujitsu techniques, forms, etiquette to lower Kyu rank students.
- Maintained up-to-date knowledge, emphasizing memorization and precise execution for teaching accurately.

## Education

### Bachelor of Computing, Computer Science (Co-op)

2024–2029 (expected)

*University of Guelph, Guelph, ON*

- Honors Role – 88% GPA – 1,000\$ Entry Level Scholarship – Emphasis in Cyber Security
- Academic Projects:
  - *Spotify Inspired Playlist Manager (C, 2025)* – Built in C with CSV parsing, dynamic linked lists, and menu-driven features for creating, playing, and managing songs.
  - *Machine Learning: k-NN Classifier (C, 2025)* – Developed a k-NN model with Euclidean, Hamming, and Jaccard metrics to classify CSV dataset entries and assess accuracy.

## Extracurriculars

- Rock Climbing (Bouldering, Route Setting)
- Music – Leader of the percussion section, won Player of the Year Grade 12 Music award
- Jujitsu - Achieved second degree black belt after 12 years of studying