

# Hunter E. Simone

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## Education

Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI)  
Master of Science in Interactive Media and Game Development  
In Progress (Graduates in May 2026)

The University of Tampa (UT)  
Bachelor of Science in Entrepreneurship, Minor in Animation  
Graduated cum laude (GPA 3.61/4.0)

## Academic Experience

Memoirscape: 2024 IndieCade Nominated Escape Room

- Production Assistant / Performer
- Organized and performed escape room for over 50 total hours of playtime including for IndieCade judges
- Nominated for Live Action Spotlight award

The Memory Museum: Escape Room

- Producer / Puzzle Designer / Performer
- Created a new escape room as part of an independent study
- Learned important group management skills

Thrifty: Business Pitch Competition Winner

- COO
- Managed Thrifty, the team that won the University of Tampa capstone pitch competition in May 2023.
  - Lead creation of comprehensive business plan with a five-person, cross-functional team over the course of a semester
  - Contributed to financial model outlining first five years of business.
  - Presented idea in partnership with team CEO and other stakeholders to panel of judges of successful businesspeople worth millions of dollars.
  - The team earned 1<sup>st</sup> place, a \$1,000 investment and a meeting with an investment firm who offered up to \$10,000

A Pirate's Life: Board Game

- Lead group of five students with the goal of producing a marketable board game using an iterative design process.
- Produced and distributed physical board game using the website the game crafter.
  - <https://www.thegamecrafter.com/>
- Achieved the highest grade amongst project teams and generated the most revenue.

Prep&Go: Business Pitch

- Wrote operations plan for a new business called Prep&Go
- Pitched Idea in the University of Tampa New Venture Expo

## Professional Experience

Wicked Cool Enterprises: Sports Merchandise Business (self-employed) (May 2023 – present)

- Chief Creative Officer (CCO)

- Creating digital assets
- Creating Custom Products: Merchandise, sports uniforms and engraved sports equipment

Mystic Schooners: Non-profit Collegiate Baseball Organization (May 2023 – August 2024)

- Intern
- Altering digital assets
- Maintaining website
- Creating social media posts

### **Skills and Software Knowledge**

- Unity Game Engine
- Adobe Creative Apps(Photoshop, Illustrator, Premiere Pro and Dreamweaver)
- Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Outlook)
- 3D modeling and animation software (Maya, Blender, and Cinema 4D)
- 2D animation software (Harmony, Blender, OpenToonz)
- Building and hosting websites (GitHub, Adobe Dreamweaver)
- Coding languages (C#, Python, JavaScript, C++, and HTML)