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Summary

Hello, I'm Iverson Ruffin. I am a Fall 2023 graduate - Bachelor of Science, Computer Science - from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte with a concentration on Software Engineering (I feel like I am more of a gaming and robotics person, but SE is cool too!). I am also an artist with working knowledge on traditional and digital artwork.

I am passionate about exploring the intersection between art and technology which involves storytelling, games, web design, and software development. My goal is to draw emotion from others through visually engaging illustrations that capture an audience.

Ideally, later in my career, I see myself in the classroom teaching about the bridge between art and computer science, to help others who wish to go out on their own journey.

Education

School: University of North Carolina at Charlotte **Degree:** Bachelor of Science - Computer Science

Graduation Date: 12/15/2023

Work Experience

UNC Charlotte Mentor Program

Fall 2023

Mentor

• Helped fellow students to navigate their college plan and provide them with guidance about getting through college

 Arranged weekly or monthly meeting with students to help assess their overall plan, as well as providing them with resources for their college experience

NC State University SRCA(Socially Relevant Computing and Analytics) Research May 2023 - July 2023

Full - Time Undergraduate Researcher Internship

- Constructed STEM camp curriculum for underrepresented groups in STEM fields, specifically computer science
- Collaborated with graduate and undergraduate students to create effective lesson plans for teaching computer science using block-based programming
- Conducted research with camp students, and presented research findings at Summer Symposium

CodeRev Kids Charlotte, NC

June 2023 - July 2023

- Instructor
- Taught 80+ kids (about 20 per week through 4 weeks), aged 8-14, about the basics of coding and how to code by utilizing video games(Minecraft-Java, Roblox-Lua, REV Robots-Arduino)
- Collaborated with co-workers to organize child-friendly lesson plans for kids to demonstrate their coding skills
- Split kids up into groups in order to increase their comfortability with sharing projects and ideas with their peers

Projects

Portfolio/Personal Website

January 2024

- Web Design
- Developed portfolio website using Bootstrap, HTML/CSS/JS.
- Website features an assortment of artwork, a link to my CV, and an about page for informing viewers about my brand and background.

Code-to-Go Fall 2023

Software Development Projects

- Developed an online code repository called "Code-to-Go" that allows users to upload and pull snippets of code from their account(Agile project groups)
- Made for teachers, students, and programmers to seamlessly keep track of code snippets and gather feedback from other users
- Includes a VSCode extension which pulls individual code snippets from the repository into the VSCode IDE

Core Skills

- **Technical**: Java, C++,C, Python, HTML/CSS/JavaScript, mySQL, PhotoShop, Clip Studio
- Drafting: storytelling, drawing, strong communication and collaboration skills
- **IDE uses**: Apache Netbeans, Visual Studio Code, jGrasp, Virtual Machine, GameMaker