# Nicklas Kenyon

# Game Designer and Developer

#### **Personal Info**

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#### Skills

#### **Programming Languages**

Java PostgresQL C# JavaScript

#### **Technologies**

Ansible Amazon Web Services Terraform Vagrant Spring

#### **Digital Content Creation**

Adobe Photoshop CC Autodesk Maya Adobe After Effects CC Adobe Illustrator CC

#### **Game Engines**

Unity 3D Unreal 4

#### Languages

English (Native) German (Fluent) French (Elementary)

# **Work Experience**

Software Engineer I, Nielsen, Queensbury NY

Aug '18 - Current

- Created Ansible provisioning for the entire architecture supported by my team
- Updated application structures and configurations to make continuous integration more possible
- Used Terraform/Ansible to move some applications from onpremises infrastructure to AWS
- Co-created a Kafka consumer microservice using Spring Boot
- Maintained and improved upon an internal data entry platform, REST API, and ETL process
- Attended grooming sessions, planning meetings, and scrum standups
- Integrated Prometheus metrics, Sentry error reporting, and built Grafana dashboards and alerts to improve the team's understanding of application performance and pain points
- Provided application support during work hours and in an on-call rotation

### Game Programmer Intern, Project H.E.A.R.T, Remote

May '17-Nov '17

- Experimental VR game/art piece for the Oculus Rift
- Collaborated with programmers and artists to realize production goals
- Designed and implemented gameplay elements and AI in Unity
- Used Autodesk Maya to model and animate game assets, such as architecture and vegetation

# **Projects**

**Dimension**, Multiple Locations

Jan '16 -

- Role: Sole Developer
- First person 3D Platformer made in Unity
- Using the ability to change the direction of gravity, the player can change their perspective on the game
- Regularly documented and presented on design decisions

# **Leadership Experience**

**Teaching Assistant**, Clarkson University, Potsdam, NY

Jan '18 - May '18

- Helped teach a class on designing and developing for VR
- Provided technical instruction on making projects in Unity from programming to lighting
- Offered feedback on student designs and discussed design considerations when working in VR

Computer Lab Manager, Clarkson University, Potsdam, NY Aug '16 - May '18

- Schedule employee shifts to maximize lab availability while accommodating each employee's complex schedule
- Hire and train new employees in lab monitoring duties
- Maintain flexibility to unpredictable schedule changes and the needs of employees

#### Education

The Honors Program at Clarkson University, Potsdam, NY

May '18

- Computer Science and Digital Arts & Sciences double major, with a minor in Mathematics
- GPA: 3.58

References Available Upon Request