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Summary

Recent Penn State Digital Arts & Media Design grad with experience in 3D modeling, gameplay scripting, and UX/UI and graphic design. Looking to apply both technical and creative strengths in a hands-on role.

Experience

Graphic Design and Social Media Intern, Penn State Sustainability - State College, PA

May 2024 - June 2025

I designed promotional materials and graphics supporting Penn State's sustainability priorities, including embedding sustainability in education, decarbonizing the university, and supporting communities across the Commonwealth. I also managed social media channels, created engaging content, and contributed to digital campaigns that promoted initiatives and events.

Education

B.Des. Digital Arts and Media Design, The Pennsylvania State University

Aug 2021 - May 2025

GPA: 3.5/4.0

Relevant Coursework: Animation Fundamentals, Creative Coding: Scripting for Art and Design, 3D Printing for Artists and Designers, Digital Painting, 3D Studio, Web Design/Visual Web Development, Game Studio, Immersive Media

Projects

taysmith.me (Click here for full portfolio)

Nature's Song — shorturl.at/6jGtX

Sep 2024 - May 2025

Rhythm-based game where players restore a magical meadow by matching beats. Developed as senior thesis; all assets modeled in Blender, gameplay scripted in Godot Engine.

Nautilus - tinyurl.com/5xrfm6te

April 2024

Explore themes of facing your past, reconciliation, loss of a friend, and forgiveness. Made with Godot Engine. I modeled two of the three environments and all key interactive objects in Blender.

Space Control — cndles.itch.io/space-control

May 2024

Face the battle of complacency and morality as you repair your broken spaceship. I modeled the environment in Blender and scripted the entire game in Godot Engine.

Activities

Penn State Esports Team, Graphic Designer

Dec 2020 - May 2021

Designed team graphics and logos. Collaborated with team leads on design strategy and execution.

Penn State VR Club, Vice President

Dec 2022 - Dec 2024

Founding member. Created promotional materials, led meetings, and helped shape the club's strategic direction.

Penn State Game Design Club, Member

Dec 2022 - Dec 2023

Active participant in club activities.

Skills

Languages: Python, Java, GDScript, HTML, C#

Software: Blender, Godot Engine, Unity, Adobe Creative Suite (Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign), Procreate, Figma

Honors

Penn State Dean's List - The Pennsylvania State University

August 2022 - May 2025