

# Selena Flores

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## About me

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I am driven to build accessible applications which, defined at requirements collection, aim to empower, charm, and include based on a thorough understanding of the customer - minimizing bias and maximizing value for all users. I love tackling challenging problems, creating engaging stories, and building strong relationships with coworkers and customers with effective, kind communication. Here's what I bring to the table:

- **3+ years of software development** experience spread across classwork, personal projects, and internships
- **2+ years of project management and planning** experience spread across DEI initiatives and SDLC
- **1+ years of customer service** experience spread across food service, retail, and teaching assistance

## EDUCATION

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### BA, Computer Science & Mathematics

**2019 – 2023 | Lewis & Clark College | Portland, OR**

- **Coursework:** Algorithm Design & Analysis in Java, Graphics Programming in C, AI/ML in Python, Object Oriented Software Development, Partial Differential Equations, Linear Algebra, Real Analysis
- **Achievements:** JEDI Award, 2 offers of internship extension, Completion of an Independent Study

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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### Lead Backend Engineer Intern

**May 2023 – January 2024**

**Lewis & Clark College | Portland, OR**

Write code to collect gameplay data and serve it in a suitable format to the psychology research team. Write testing software. Create and update readable documentation for a variety of technical skill levels.

- Wrote a key-stroke game replay simulator
- Led the creation of the data collection pipeline
- Received an offer of extension

**Skills:** MYSQL, PHP, C#, Object Oriented Development, Test-Driven Development, AWS, LAMP Server Development, AGILE, Trello, Git version control, Visual Studio Code, Unity, Terminal, Open Source

### Chair of the Equity, Inclusion, & Justice Committee

**August 2019 – May 2023**

**Lewis & Clark College | Portland, OR**

Manage DEI projects, a \$30,000 budget, and the hiring, training and orientation of new members. Develop, write, and implement strategic plans. Build strong working relationships with students, professors, and administrators.

- **Committee Chair(August 2022 - May 2023)**
  - Created budget and wrote guidelines to initiate stipends for affinity group leaders
  - Provided a kind, inclusive safe space for committee discussions
  - Allocated budget, secured space, and wrote guidelines for the creation of a food pantry
- **Vice Chair (August 2020-May 2021)**
  - Promoted transparency, accessibility, and publicity of grant program
  - Brought key insights to equity audit discussions
  - Led communication for a growing subcommittee
- **Committee Member(September 2019 - May 2020, August 2021 - May 2022)**

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- Became a consistent volunteer, voice, and advocate for marginalized communities

**Skills:** Discussion leading, Google Suite, Budgets, Equity Audit, Hiring, Training, Public Speaking, Scheduling, Tabling, Writing, Interpersonal Relations, Organization

## Vision and Graphics Lab Summer REU Intern

**May 2022 – August 2022**

**University of Southern California** | Los Angeles, CA

Conduct literature review of modern neural rendering techniques, attend research seminars, and present research findings at the USC Institute for Creative Technologies conference

- Independently researched, schemed, and wrote a ray marcher algorithm
- Actively participated in REU team building events
- Received an offer of extension

**Skills:** CUDA, C, Python, Literature Review, Unity, Graphics Shaders, Windows Command Line, Fourier Series, Neural Networks, Deep SDF, Public Speaking, Neural Radiance Fields(NeRF), Open Source

## Teaching Assistant

**Spring 2020, Fall 2022, Spring 2023**

**Lewis & Clark College** | Portland, OR

Track inventory, assist students with coding assignments, and maintain student privacy according to FERPA guidelines.

**Skills:** IT Service Desk, C, HTML, CSS, Java, P5.js, Teaching, Mentorship

## Projects

### Portfolio

**December 2024 - Present**

Design, implement, and deploy website with front end languages.

**Skills:** HTML, CSS, JQuery, Javascript, JSON, Git Version Control, UX, Open Source

### Hybrid Rendering Engine

**March 2024**

Refactor and merge three separate codebases. Write a multiple pass rendering algorithm that implements ZBuffer, Ray Tracing, and Ray Marching.

**Skills:** C, Rendering Engines, Low Level Programming, Algorithm Design, Git Version Control, X11, Open Source

### 3D Depth First Search Trees

**Fall 2021 - August 2022**

Implement a depth first search algorithm to render trees in 2D and 3D.

**Skills:** C, Rendering Engines, Low Level Programming, Algorithm Design, Git Version Control, X11, Open Source

## Partial Differential Equation Simulations

**March 2022 - May 2023**

Apply partial differential equation knowledge and numerical methods to create real-time 3D simulations.

**Skills:** C, Rendering Engines, Low Level Programming, Algorithm Design, Git Version Control, X11, Open Source

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Global Mentorship Initiative | May 2023 - Present

## PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS AND TRAINING

Full Stack Development | FreeCodeCamp | In progress