# CATHERINE SIMMONS

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## **SKILLS**

## **CORE STRENGTHS**

Planning & Organizing
Project Management
Research
Narrative Design
Game Design

## PM KNOWLEDGE

Methodologies Communication Tactics Production Tactics Production Phases Dependencies

## **TOOLS**

Jira			
Notion			
Nuclino			
Excel			
Google Sheets			
Perforce			
Unreal Engine 5			

## **CAREER**

## **DIVERGENT DESIGN LAB: AEGIS GROWTH |** August 2022 - present

Research Assistant- Director of Story

- Communicating progress, tracking milestones, and supporting teammates.
- Leading a small team of students on special projects.
- Establishing documentation for pervasive games research.
- Collaborating with a team of directors and designers.

# **UNIVERSITY PROJECTS**

# VALORANT Production Hub | Fall 2022-

- A hypothetical hub for VALORANT to practice organizing information and creating reports like the Competitive Analysis, SWOT analysis, Gantt charts, RACI charts, and Work Breakdown Structures.

# **GENTLEMEN & PIRATES | Spring 2022**

- A one-page RPG hack of John Harper's Lasers & Feeling, inspired by Our Flag Means Death.
- Designed the mechanics, led playtests, and formatted the page in InDesign.

  Created a marriage mechanic to add more romance options.

## **VOLUNTEERING**

## JDE | Fall 2022-

#### **Board Member**

- In charge of organizing and running interactive fiction events, including game jams and industry talks.
- **JDE (Junior Development Experience)** is a student-run organization at DePaul, dedicated to Game Development. JDE provides an environment for people of various disciplines to share and learn from each other's experiences.

# **EDUCATION**

DEPAUL UNIVERSITY | 3.88 GPA | March 2024

B.A., Game Design