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Introduction

ShaderlabVSCode is a Visual Studio Code extension for Unity Shaderlab programming.

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Installation

Running On Mac

1. Import ShaderlabVSCode unity package into Unity Editor.
2. [Download Visual Studio Code](#) for macOS.
3. Double-click on the downloaded archive to expand the contents.
4. Drag `Visual Studio Code.app` to the `Applications` folder, making it available in the Launchpad.
5. Launch VS Code, Open the `Command Palette (⌘P)` and type 'install from vsix' and then press `Enter` key on keyboard.
6. Select the vsix file under `ShaderlabVSCode/VSCodePlugin/` folder of Unity Project
7. Restart Visual Studio Code

Running On Windows

1. Import ShaderlabVSCode unity package into Unity Editor.
2. Download the [Visual Studio Code installer](#) for Windows.
3. Once it is downloaded, run the installer (VSCodeSetup-version.exe). This will only take a minute.
4. By default, VS Code is installed under `C:\Program Files (x86)\Microsoft VS Code` for a 64-bit machine.
5. Launch VS Code, Open the `Command Palette (CTRL+SHIFT+P)` and type 'install from vsix' and then press `Enter` key on keyboard.
6. Select the vsix file under `ShaderlabVSCode/VSCodePlugin/` folder of Unity Project
7. Restart Visual Studio Code

Note: .NET Framework 4.5.2 is required for VS Code. If you are using Windows 7, please make sure .NET Framework 4.5.2 is installed.

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Press `CTRL + SHIFT + O` on Windows or `CMD + SHIFT + O` on macOS.

Go To Definition

This feature is available in 1.2.4 +

Press **F12** to trigger **Go To Definition** command Or Click the **Go To Definition** in right click context menu

```
38     UNITY_INSTANCING_BUFFER_START(Props)
39         // put more per-instance properties here
40     UNITY_INSTANCING_BUFFER_END(Props)
41
42     void surf (Input IN, inout SurfaceOutputStandard o)
43     {
44         // Albedo comes from a texture tinted by color
45         fixed4 c = tex2D (_MainTex, IN.uv_MainTex) * _Color;
46         o.Albedo = c.rgb;
47         // Metallic and smoothness come from slider variables
48         o.Metallic = _Metallic;
49         o.Smoothness = _Glossiness;
50         o.Alpha = c.a;
51     }
52     ENDCG
53 }
54 FallBack "Diffuse"
55 }
56
```

Code Snippets

Below are the snippets:

Snippets	Description
blend1_1	Blend One One
blendsa_1-sa	Blend SrcAlpha OneMinusSrcAlpha
blend1_1-sa	Blend One OneMinusSrcAlpha
blend1-dc_1	Blend OneMinusDstColor One
blenddc_0	Blend DstColor Zero
blenddc_sc	Blend DstColor SrcColor
for	for loop

fallback	Fallback
cgp	CGPROGRAM...ENCGLSL
glp	GLSLPROGRAM...ENDGLSL
hlp	HLSLPROGRAM...ENDHLSL
if	if { ... }
ifelse	if {...} else {...}
inc	#include ""
incpkg	#include "Pakcages
incucg	#include "UnityCG.cginc"
inclight	#include "Lighting.cginc"
incautolight	#include "AutoLight.cginc"
props	Properties
prop2d	<code>2D</code> type property
propcube	<code>Cube</code> type property
propc	<code>Color</code> type property
propv	<code>Vector</code> type property
propf	<code>Float</code> type property
proprange	<code>Range</code> type proprety
region	//#region ... //endregion
region2	//region ... //endregion
shader	Shader { ... }
subshader	SubShader { ... }
struct	structure
tags	Tags { ... }
tagstt	Tags with both of RenderType and Queue is Transparent

Auto Format

Format Document

Two ways to format document:

1. Right click the editor are and select **Format Document** menu in context menu
2. Open **Command Palette** and type "Format Document", and then press `ENTER` key on keyborad.

Format Selection

Two ways to format selection:

1. Right click the editor area and select **Format Selection** menu in context menu
2. Open **Command Palette** and type "Format Selection", and then press `ENTER` key on keyborad

Place Open Brace On New Line

In Settings, there is an item under `ShaderlabVScode` section named `Formatting: Style`, check or uncheck the `Place open brace on new line` will toggle differnt format style.

Below is not place open brace on new line

```
float test() {  
  
}
```

Below is place open brace on new line

```
float test()  
{  
  
}
```

Macros Alignment Modes

In Settings, there is an item under `ShaderlabVScode` section named `Formatting: Style`, change the `Macros alignment modes` to set formatting mode for macros.

Indentation with hierachy

```
Subshader  
{  
    Pass  
    {  
        CGPROGRAM  
        void MacroTest()  
        {
```

```

        float c;
        #if 0
            c = 0;
            #if 1
                c = 1;
            #endif
        #endif
    }
    ENDCG
}

```

Indentation without hierachy

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            float c;
            #if 0
                c = 0;
            #if 1
                c = 1;
            #endif
            #endif
        }
        ENDCG
    }
}

```

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Misc Features

1. Region Mark

There are two ways:

- `//#region` and `//#endregion`
- `//region` and `//endregion`

Features in Unity Editor

1. Download Visual Studio Code

Jump to url which can download latest version of Visual Studio Code

Selection: **Tools** -> **ShaderlabVSCode** -> **Download Visual Studio Code**

2. Update Data of ShaderlabVSCode Extension

Update data of completion, hover information or intelisense from web

Selection: **Tools** -> **ShaderlabVSCode** -> **Update Data of VSCode Extension**

3. Report an Issue

Two ways to report an issue:

1. Send Email to amlovey@qq.com
2. Open a issue on <https://github.com/amloveyweb/amloveyweb.github.io/issues>

Release Notes

V1.2.7

- Better HLSL Supports that add more keywords and builtin methods
- Better folding strategy that base on syntax instead of base on indentation
- Better macros formatting. We can change different styles in `Macros Alignment Modes` settings
- Add `Format Selection` feature
- Improve syntax highlighting for Monokai pro
- Fix bugs that StructuredBuffer show as Buffer type in hover information

V1.2.6

- Improve syntax highlighting for types and methods
- Add new version notification
- Fix bug that code completion for operation `?:` is not correctly
- Fix bug that F12 cannot jump in included library of SRP

V1.2.5

- Add more code snippets:
 - `hlp`: HLSLPROGRAM...ENDHLSL block
 - `glp`: GLSLPROGRAM...ENCGLSL block
 - `inc`: `#include ""`
 - `incpkg`: `#include "Pakcages"`

V1.2.4

- Fix some methods disappear from code completion bug
- Hover on variables or type member can show their type now
- Add `Go To definition` for method/variable/structs [Experimental]

V1.2.3

- Fix code completion for `half2`
- Add formatting option for place open brace on newline or not

V1.2.2

- Support more builtin helper functions
- Fix format bug for condition expression

V1.2.1

- More Keywords or functions intellisense for URP/HDRP

V1.2.0

- SRP supports: Add path intellisense
- Add property drawer attribute keywords

V1.1.6

- Fix format bug

V1.1.5

- Fix format by when line ends with "
- Add Go to definition support for include files

V1.1.4 Support Linux

V1.1.3

- Auto Format
 - use tab or spaces can be configured by `editor.insertSpaces` VSCode settings

V1.1.2

- Add more completions from UnityCG.cginc.
- Fix document symbols show incorrectly in some scenarios.

V1.1.1

- Intellisense
 - Add macros code completion support
 - Add more completion items from UnityCG.cginc, there are:
 - UnityWorldSpaceViewDir
 - UnityWorldToClipPos
 - UnityViewToClipPos
 - UnityWorldToViewPos
 - UnityObjectToWorldDir
 - UnityWorldToObjectDir
 - UnityObjectToWorldNormal
 - UnityWorldSpaceLightDir
 - Fix methods intellisense was broken by ':' in parameters
- Format Document
 - Improve format for marcos
- Syntax Highlighting
 - Add highlight for `#ifdef` and `#ifndef`

- Add document symbols support, press `CTRL + SHIFT + O` on Windows or `CMD + SHIFT + O` on macOS to open it.

V1.1.0

- Intellisense
 - Fix intellisense was broken by "," in structs and fields in some scenario
- Format Document
 - Fix format for `[XX]PROGRAM..END[XX]` structure
 - Make `#define` to match levels
- Experiment:
 - Add `.hlsl` and `.cg` file support

V1.0.9

- Intellisense
 - Fix wrong result when there are duplicate name of variables
- Syntax Highlighting
 - Add highlighting for custom functions

V1.0.8

- Format Document
 - Improve format for Operators

V1.0.7

- Intellisense
 - Fix Intellisense broken by '+', '-', '*', '/' in some scenarios
- Format Document
 - Improve format for preprocessor directives
- Syntax Highlighting
 - Improve color of preprocessor directives

V1.0.6

- Format Document:
 - fix colon formation is incorrect in `#pragma` line
- Intellisense
 - Fix wrong code completion result in `#pragma` line which is triggered by colon
 - Update description for `clip` and `cos` cg method in code completion item

V1.0.5

- Add region mark support(Required VSCode version 1.17.0 +). ShaderlabVSCode now supports two type markers:
 - `//#region` and `//#endregion`, snippet is `region`
 - `//region` and `//endregion`, snippet is `region2`

V1.0.4

- Intellisense
 - Add Unity defined Values support, like _Time
 - Fix duplicate members when include same cginc files multiple times

V1.0.3

- Intellisense
 - Fix bug variable broken by semicolon
- Editor
 - Improve compability

V1.0.2b3

- Auto Format:
 - Add format document feature
- Intellisense:
 - supports builtin types, like half, fixed and float
 - supports completion of fields of types
 - supports completion of method return type
- Bug Fixes:
 - Fix bug structure fields are broken by comments

V1.0.1b2

- Add code snippets support
- Update hover information for some keywords
- Fix wrong fields data get from struct in some scenarios
- Fix bug that Variable and Properties Info broken by whitespace

v1.0.0b1

- First beta release

For more information

Visit site <http://www.amlovey.com>