JAMES FINKEL

GAMEPLAY ENGINEER



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Skills

Rapid Prototyping

Quality Assurance

Agile Development

Certified Scrum Master

Tools

Unity

Unreal

Gamemaker

Perforce

Git

Languages

C++

C#

C

Java

Python

SQL

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Software Engineer with professional experience completing design projects, working alongside teams, and communicating with stakeholders.

EDUCATION

Carnegie Mellon University

Master of Entertainment Technology

Pittsburgh, PA Expected May 2023

University of Pittsburgh

BS, Computer Science and Psychology

Magna Cum Laude

Pittsburgh, PA April 2019

RECENT PROJECTS

Building Virtual Worlds (BVW)

Fall 2021

Small teams of students get two weeks to create a world, with new groups and goals for each of 5 rounds. Exceptional projects are selected for display at the Fall Festival.

Double Birdemnity (Selected for Festival)

- Programmer, Playtest Coordinator
- Created scripts for accusing suspects
- Ran playtests to receive guest feedback
- Platform: Oculus Quest 2

Hatbusters (Selected for Festival)

- Lead Programmer
- Gameplay Programming, Win/Lose Conditions
- Programmed Situational Locomotion
- Platform: Vive Tracker + 3drudder

The Color of Sound

- Lead Programmer
- Created scripts for playing piano
- Platform: Oculus Quest 2

EXPERIENCE

Software Developer Associate

September 2020 - August 2021

PNC Bank

Pittsburgh, PA

- Developed, tested, and debugged software
- Presented completed projects to stakeholders and leadership
- Worked as part of an interdisciplinary team