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SUMMARY

Recently graduated from UC Santa Cruz, I studies Computer Science with a focus in Computer Game Design. Have experience working in a team environment or working independently as well as working remotely. Ability to think quickly and effectively. Have strong analytical, critical thinking, problem solving, and organizational skills. Focused on efficiency, quality, and delivering features in time. Strong language and communication skills in English and Russian.

SKILLS

Programming: C/C++, JavaScript, Java, Python, HTML, CSS.

Experience with Tools/Software: Unreal Engine 4 (Blueprints and C++), Phaser 2, Git, GitHub, Bitbucket, Jira, Prometheus, Grafana, IntelliJ IDEA/CLion, Visual Studio, Microsoft Office, AWS, Adobe Illustrator, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Dreamweaver, Confluence, Construct 3, Android SDK.

PROJECTS

DEC. 2019 – JUN. 2020 **GAME DESIGNER /GAMEPLAY PROGRAMMER FOR GAME KIDGILANTES**

- Worked in an agile environment, taking responsibility for organizing and planning my own work.
- Collaboratively worked with the rest of team on actively testing and iterating game mechanics.
- Designed and implemented game systems and interactions using Unreal Engine 4 using Blueprint and C++.
- Integrated assets into the game and created simple modular assets for Level Designers to make level creation simplistic.

MAY. 2019 – JUN. 2019 **GAMEPLAY PROGRAMMER FOR GAME LITTLE EMBER**

- Worked closely with Art Designer and Sound Designer on design decisions and iterations of game mechanics.
- Created a modular system to make level creation quick and simple using JavaScript framework Phaser 2.

WORK EXPERIENCE

JUL. 2018 – SEP. 2018 **SOFTWARE ENGINEER INTERNSHIP AT RAKUTEN MARKETING**

- Implemented ways of monitoring of backend infrastructure using Prometheus and Grafana for: Java based applications, Cassandra database, and Nginx load balancer.
- Worked closely in a small development team in an agile environment using Jira.
- Completed tasks in given time periods and participated in weekly scrum meetings.

MAR. 2018 **GAME TESTER AT PLAYSTATION**

- Tested and documented bugs of the game *God of War* passing it over to the development team
- Provided feedback on the game's aesthetics and mechanics

DEC. 2014 – JUL. 2018 **MOBILE AD TESTER AT LIFESTREET MEDIA**

- Tested mobile AD performance on different iOS/Android platforms of social and gaming applications
- Documented the ADs of interest and added them into the database

EDUCATION

AUG. 2018 – JUN. 2020 **UC SANTA CRUZ, CA**

- B.S. in Computer Science: Computer Game Design with Honors (GPA 3.7)
- Was involved in multiple Game Development projects:
 - Kidgilantes – game made in Unreal Engine 4
 - Design Innovation Award
 - Capstone Production Award
 - 10,000 Light Years – sci-fi themed board game
 - Little Ember – game made using JavaScript framework, Phaser 2

AUG. 2012 – MAY. 2016 **COLLEGE OF SAN MATEO, CA**

- Associate Degree in Computer Science