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WORK EXPERIENCE

Digital Extremes

Software Engineer

Mar 2025 - Present

- Built the full stack implementation of a timestamp storing system for upcoming title 'Soulframe', including backend support and gameplay integration to flexibly manage timing data across 5 different use cases
- Rapidly iterated on new gameplay mechanics in a fast-paced, self-directed environment, building features for a wide range of systems including player combat, quests, and interactable minigames

Software Engineer (Co-op)

Sep 2023 - Dec 2023

- Owned and shipped new gameplay events and enemy AI behaviours using C++ as part of 'Whispers in the Walls' major content update for 'Warframe', driving the average player count to 65,000, the highest in 6 years
- Improved and fixed existing systems of a Live Service video game in response to post-release community feedback, enhancing player experience and contributing to the game achieving an 88% positive review rate

Behaviour Interactive

Jan 2023 - Apr 2023

Software Engineer

- Built interactive UI elements and visuals for 'Silent Hill' project within Unreal Engine 4
- Designed a tool within Unreal Engine using Slate UI to efficiently parse and compare over 20,000 assets, improving productivity of artist team by 28%

Eden Industries

Jan 2022 - Apr 2022

Software Engineer

- Spearheaded development of four unique boss fights within internal game engine using C++ and Tiled
- Enhanced in-house game engine for performance and runtime optimization using C++, resulting in more efficient pathfinding for overworld map navigation and improved AI logic during combat encounters

Alcumus

May 2021 - Aug 2021

Software Engineer

- Implemented REST APIs using Spring Boot for the Field-ID application

OpenText

Sep 2020 - Dec 2020

QA Specialist

- Ran statistical analyses to find performance bottlenecks within Jenkins testing suite, increasing efficiency by 25%

Geotab

Jan 2020 - Apr 2020

Software Engineer

- Led a 5 member team in the full-stack development of web page, acting as main point of knowledge on React

EDUCATION

University of Waterloo

Apr 2024

Bachelor of Applied Science, Computer Engineering, Honours

PROJECTS

Unity 2D Game

Dec 2020 - Present

Fallen Templar | notsamyl.itch.io/fallen-templar

- Single-handedly ideated and developed a video game using C# and Unity, implementing game mechanics, algorithms for procedurally generated dungeons, and systems for audio, graphics, and gameplay

SKILLS & INTERESTS

- **Languages:** C++, C#, Java, Python, Lua, Kotlin, Rust, Assembly (RISC-V), Javascript, HTML, CSS
- **Technologies:** Unity, Unreal Engine, Android Studio, React, Git, Perforce, SQL, PHP, Node, Linux, Jira
- **Interests:** swimming, rock climbing, music, video games (Celeste, Bioshock Infinite, Teamfight Tactics)