Zach Thompson

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Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science Simulation and Game Programming Option

Related Coursework

- Computer Graphics: Vulkan CS419
- Intro to Computer Graphics CS450
- Computer Graphics: Shaders CS457
- Skills for Simulation and Game Programming CS491
- Intro to Parallel Programming CS475

Work Experience

Oregon State University - Information Services, Corvallis, OR

Jan 2018 - Jun 2021

Graduated: Jun 2021

Lead Student Network Technician

- Accelerated new hire development by mentoring 5 student workers
- Developed and engineered a python tool to implement zero touch provisioning
- Collaborated with cross disciplinary teams to build, extend, and maintain technology

Intel via Business Education Compact, Hillsboro, OR

Jun 2015 - Dec 2016

Student Engineering Intern

- Implemented Windows 8 smart card login handler with C++
- Streamlined hardware engineering workflow by engineering a tool with C#

Projects

Glass the Planet - Personal Game Project

Summer 2020 - Present

- Produced and developed fun and simple game with Unreal Engine 4.25 and C++
- Enhanced code usability by applying polymorphic designs for flexible gameplay
- Achieved fun gameplay with a custom movement system using vector math

VR Factory Trainer – Senior Capstone

Fall 2020 - Spring 2021

- Innovated factory training by applying virtual reality techniques with Unity 2019
- Facilitated project growth by coordinating and mentoring 2 team members
- Achieved a realistic environment by employing Unity prefabs and C#
- Improved code usability by consolidating common functions into multi-purpose C# scripts

Spock - Personal Game Engine

Spring 2020

- Simplified Vulkan usability with a set of C++ wrappers for creating graphics pipelines
- Planned and engineered a tool in C++ to parse and package GLSL shaders

Skills

- Object Oriented Programming in C/C++ and C#
- Scripting with PHP, Python, and Perl
- OpenGL, Vulkan, and GLSL Shader Programming
- Unreal Engine C++
- Unity C#
- 3D Math (trigonometry, linear algebra, calculus)