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Software Engineer

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Objective

To obtain a position where my programming skills will be applied to building video games.

Education

B.S. in Real-Time Interactive Simulation (Computer Science) with a minor in Mathematics – DigiPen Institute of Technology - Redmond, WA Graduating April 2008

Technical Skills

- Programming Languages: C/C++ (5 years), Visual Basic, Game Boy Color Assembly, Flash
- Programming Environments: Microsoft Visual Studio .NET & Visual Studio 6.0, Borland C++ Builder 6, FUN Editor
- Graphics: Direct3D, Image Processing
- Miscellaneous: Adobe Photoshop, 3DS Max 8, Microsoft Word, Microsoft Excel, SVN (source control), Debugging
- Math: Linear Algebra, Calculus, Curves and Surfaces, basic Number Theory and Cryptography
- Physics: Newtonian Physics, Lagrangian Dynamics, Rigid Bodies, Collision Resolution
- Al: Path Finding (A*), Neural Networks, basic Flocking and Swarming

Projects Experiences

Oasis Ostinato: A 3D garden-growing defend-your-tower style rhythm game

(Senior Project)

Al Programmer and Technical Director on Team of 3

- Designed and Coded AI Engine to handle movement and actions of multiple enemy types.
 Incorporating flocking, swarming, A* algorithms and Threat Maps.
- Responsible for the creation and maintenance of the Technical Design Document, including delegation of relevant tasks to team members.

Pandemonium: 3D side view platform game, featuring fully deformable terrain.

(Junior Project)

Graphics Programmer on Team of 5

- Created the 3D Graphics Engine using DirectX.
 - Including 3D Meshes and 2D Sprites working together, as well as World Rotation.
- o Wrote Graphics portions of the Game and Technical Design Documents.

Super Squirrel: 2D tile-based platform game

(Sophomore Project)

Physics Programmer and Designer on Team of 5

- Designed and coded the 2D tile-based Physics engine.
 - Using Gravity and bounding box collision
- Managed creation and maintenance of the Game Design Document, including delegation of relevant tasks to team members.
- o Used a tile editor built by another member to design and build some levels.

Work Experience - DigiPen Institute Of Technology

• Summers of 2006 / 2007 – Summer Workshop Assistant/Instructor: Instructed high school and junior high students the use of C++ and the Project FUN Editor, DigiPen's proprietary game creation software.

Leadership Experience

- Instructor in Martial Arts
- o First Degree black belt of Tae Kwan Do