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Summary:

- Passion for designing and developing games of all kinds
- Commitment to teaching game development students of all levels
- Extensive experience with a wide range of languages, APIs and Graphics Packages
- Able to independently learn, implement, and teach new technologies
- Extensive knowledge of team relationships and management

Skills:

- Programming Languages: C#, C++, Java, Javascript, Blueprints, UnrealScript, Lua, OpenGL, PHP, MySQL, Intel Assembly, Lisp, Actionscript, HTML/CSS, XML, JSON
- Software Packages: Unity, Unreal, Flash, JIRA, Confluence, Trello
- Operating Systems: Windows, OSX, iOS, Android, Linux, Unix
- Production Methodologies: Agile/SCRUM, Kanban, Waterfall
- Other: Strong analytical and problem solving techniques, excellent communication skills, comfortable in both team and individual work environments. I consider myself a self-starter and a quick learner. I am also familiar with modern game development and project management techniques.

Industry Experience:

Founding Partner/C.T.O./ Creative Director Mutant Entertainment Studios (M.E.S) (2006 – present)

- Oversaw development of companies entire product catalog:
 - 7 Commercial published titles, 1 game in current development
 - 88,000+ units sold
- Responsible for Business Development and Creative Direction of Studio
- Manage day to day operations of M.E.S's production and operations
- Hired and supervise development team of 3 full time employees
- Manage a variety of contract workers in art and programming
- Responsible for periodic Executive team meetings and development updates
- Implemented game website/server processing/forum/account systems
- Responsible for overseeing implementation of a credit card processing system
- Responsible for creation and implementation of M.E.S website
- Responsible for creation and implementation of all game marketing materials
- Implemented and maintained developer blog & excellent customer service
- Responsible for User Interface design and implementation
- Planned and implemented game data, user experience flow and data storage strategies

Commercial Projects:

[Kaiju Fishing](#) - PC/Steam - In Development

https://store.steampowered.com/app/1043110/Kaiju_Fishing/

- Responsible for Creative Direction and Design
- Implemented all Fish game objects
 - Random spawn from loot table
 - Boid based AI schooling behavior
- Implemented all Resource systems
- Implemented all Crafting systems
- Implemented all Save/Load systems
- Implemented all Quest systems
- Created and programmed UX systems
- Implemented and supervised all Version Control systems/user flow

[I Can't Believe It's Not Gambling 2\(k\)](#) - PC/Steam - Dec 2019

https://store.steampowered.com/app/1157790/I_Cant_Believe_Its_Not_Gambling_2K/

- Responsible for Creative Direction and Design
- Implemented Loot systems
- Created and programmed all UX systems
- Created and implemented all Version Control systems

Publisher for [Knights Night](#) - PC/Steam - June 2019

https://store.steampowered.com/app/1087480/Knighty_Night/

- Responsible for scouting dev team
- Responsible for all contract negotiations
- Coordinated and implemented all marketing/outreach efforts

[Steamulator](#) - PC/Steam - Jan 2019

https://store.steampowered.com/app/881500/Steamulator_2019/

- Responsible for Creative Direction
- Supervised Design team
- Created and programmed all UX systems
- Created and implemented all Version Control systems

[Astro Joust](#) - PC/Steam - March 2018

https://store.steampowered.com/app/762670/Astro_Joust/

- Responsible for Creative Direction
- Supervised Design team
- Created and programmed all UX systems
- Created and implemented all Version Control systems

[I Can't Believe It's Not Gambling](#) - PC/Steam - December 2017

https://store.steampowered.com/app/733990/I_Cant_Believe_Its_Not_Gambling/

- Responsible for Creative Direction and Design
- Implemented Loot systems
- Created and programmed all UX systems
- Created and implemented all Version Control systems

[Questr](#) - PC/Steam - August 2017

<https://store.steampowered.com/app/675990/Questr/>

- Responsible for Creative Direction and Design
- Implemented gameplay prototypes, both paper and electronic
- Created and programmed all UX systems
- Created and implemented all Version Control systems

[The Campaign of 1863](#) - PC/Web – Fall 2013

<http://www.campaign63.com/>

- Created all Front End game systems (Flash)
- Created all Server Side architecture (LAMP Stack)
- Created and implemented all Version Control systems (Git)

Teaching Experience:

Lecturer at California State University, Chico (2012 - present)

Courses Developed:

- CSU Chico CAGD 270 - Level Design
- CSU Chico CAGD 377 - Mobile Game Development
- CSU Chico CAGD 380 - Game Scripting
- CSU Chico METX 358 - Emerging Technologies in Media and Entertainment
- CSU Chico METX 458 - Applied Emerging Technologies in Media and Entertainment
- CSU Chico CAGD 375 - Video Game Pre-production
- CSU Chico CAGD 280 - Introduction to Game Scripting

Courses Redesigned:

- CSU Chico CAGD 170 - Video Game Design - Online/Flipped classroom conversion
- CSU Chico CAGD 470 - Video Game Design - Online/Flipped classroom conversion
- CSU Chico CAGD 495 - Advanced Production - Agile/SCRUM implementation

Courses Taught:

- CSU Chico CAGD 170 - Video Game Design
- CSU Chico CAGD 180 - Scripting and Programming for Computer Graphics
- CSU Chico CAGD 270 - Level Design
- CSU Chico CAGD 370 - Video Game Development
- CSU Chico CAGD 377 - Mobile Game Development
- CSU Chico CAGD 380 - Game Scripting
- CSU Chico CAGD 470 - Video Game Production
- CSU Chico CAGD 495 - Advanced Production
- CSU Chico CAGD 358 - Emerging Technologies in Media and Entertainment
- CSU Chico CAGD 458 - Applied Emerging Technologies in Media and Entertainment
- CSU Chico CAGD 375 - Video Game Pre-production

Academic Projects:

USGS Aftershock Forecasting Serious Game project - Fall 2023

\$200,000 grant awarded to develop a serious games application for Emergency Manager training.

[University Comms & Alumni Association](#) - Spring 2023

<https://metx.yourweb.csuchico.edu/Wildcat/index.html>

[Big Chico Creek Ecological Reserve](#) - Spring 2022

<https://metx.yourweb.csuchico.edu/BCCER/index.html>

[Bidwell Mansion Immersive Experience VR](#) - Spring 2021

<http://metx.yourweb.csuchico.edu/BidwellMansion/>

[Red Bluff Roundup AR Experience](http://metx.yourweb.csuchico.edu/RedBluff/) - Spring 2020

<http://metx.yourweb.csuchico.edu/RedBluff/>

[Lundberg Family Farms VR Facility Tour Experience](http://metx.yourweb.csuchico.edu/Lundberg/) - Spring 2019

<http://metx.yourweb.csuchico.edu/Lundberg/>

[Sierra Nevada Original Brewery VR Tour Experience](http://metx.yourweb.csuchico.edu/SierraNevada/) - Spring 2018

<http://metx.yourweb.csuchico.edu/SierraNevada/>

Programmer - Jennifer Underwood's Masters Project - Museum Installation - Fall 2013

Professional Development:

Fall 2023 Equity Minded Pedagogy

Service contribution to the department, college, university and community

Department:

- CAGD Curriculum/Lab committee - 2012 - present
 - Curriculum chair 2023
- CGC Student Club Advisor - 2015 - present
- CAGD Choose Chico Day representative - 2013 - present
- CAGD Preview Day representative - 2013 - present
- CAGD/CGC Chico Game Jam Creator and Coordinator - 2015 - present
- CAGD ECC Design Expo Coordinator 2017-2021
- CAGD/CGC Excellence in Computer Graphics Awards Coordinator 2015 - present
- CAGD Game Development Curriculum Ad-Hock Committee Coordinator 2020 - present
- [CAGD Chico State Giving Day](#) Coordinator 2018-2019, 2021, 2024

College:

- College of ECC representative to CSUC Academic Senate Lecturers Council - 2023
- College of ECC MFG Expo - CAGD VR presentation/coordinator - 2018
- College of ECC representative at Tecnologico de Monterrey: Guadalajara - [Global Faculty Exchange](#) 2014
- College of ECC representative and Judge at Tecnologico de Monterrey: Guadalajara - XIX International ITSM Fair 2014
- Special Session Winter Game Development courses - Tecnologico de Monterrey students at Chico State - 2013

University:

- CSUChico rep International Education Fair - Tec De Monterrey Guadalajara - 2014
- [Technical advisor/coordinator VR presentation at President's Convocation](#) - 2018
- Go Virtual Mentor - 2020

Community:

- [Global Game Jam Site Coordinator](#) - 2013 - present
- Extra Life UC Davis Children's Hospital Chico Event Coordinator - 2018 - present
- Chico Softball Little League Information Officer - 2012 - 2015
- Chico Softball Little League Manager - 2014 - 2015

- Chico Central Little League Manager - 2016 - 2018

Conferences/Presentations:

- CAGD Choose Chico Day “Game Development” presentations - 2013 - present
- CAGD Preview Day “Game Development” presentations - 2013 - present
- ECC success series “[CAGD Pedagogic Application, Development and Practices for Student Success](#)” - 2018
- CSU Tech Conference “VR Storytelling in 16 weeks - cutting through the hype” - 2019
- BEA Conference “[METX: Media, Entertainment & Technology - interdisciplinary storytelling using emerging technologies](#)” - 2019
- ECC Kitchen Plates series “Group Projects in Virtual Environments” - 2021

Education:

California State University, Chico
B.S. Computer Science - Option: Graphics Programming December 2005
3.14 GPA

Santa Rosa Junior College
Associates Degree - 2.84 GPA

Awards:

Dean's Honor list:
Spring 2004
Fall 2004

References available upon request