Ricky Lin

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OVERVIEW

Aspiring game designer with hands-on experience in Unity coding and level design, eager to contribute and grow within a dynamic game development team.

EDUCATION

BSc Interactive Arts and Technology

Concentration in Interactive Systems

GAME DESIGN PROJECTS

Lead Game Designer

Chimera6 Studios

Simon Fraser University June 2024

Vancouver, BC, Canada

July 2022 - Present

- Led the game design for "Chimera Ace," a fast-paced First Person Shooter (FPS) that combines deck-building and roguelike elements, developing the structure of the core gameplay loop and driving the creation of a Game Design Document (GDD).
- Enhanced level design to support diverse playstyles and interactions with varied enemy types, optimizing gameplay balance.
- Iteratively developed and playtested using Unity, resulting in positive feedback for innovative mechanics and strategic depth. "Kart Klash" September 2023 – December 2023
 - Enhanced gameplay immersion through realistic audio design using Audacity and Adobe Premiere, and developed responsive shooting mechanics with the Unity Interaction Toolkit and C#.
 - Iterated on VR interactions for Oculus controllers, focusing on intuitive gunplay and object pickups.
- Delivered an immersive VR experience praised by playtesters for its realistic audio design and intuitive control mechanics. "Biome" September 2022 – December 2023
 - Led the design and development of a 2D puzzle game focused on raising awareness about environmental issues, creating three playable levels with progressively challenging puzzles using Unity ProGrids.
 - Spearheaded comprehensive player testing sessions to refine gameplay mechanics and optimize puzzle difficulty, ensuring a balanced experience that maintained player engagement while effectively delivering the game's core message.
- Enhanced project collaboration and streamlined workflows through efficient file management using Google Workspace. • "Climatic Crisis" January 2022 – December 2022
 - Collaborated with a small team to design "Climatic Crisis" on Board Game Simulator, strictly adhering to Game Design Document (GDD) guidelines, with a particular focus on the in-game economy and mechanics.
 - Led playtesting sessions to collect player feedback, refining game mechanics to optimize balance and player engagement.
 - The game was featured at the 2022 FCAT Undergraduate Conference, where it was praised for its innovative design and impactful environmental messaging.

EXPERIENCE

Outlier AI

Al Model Trainer

Remote

September 2024 - Present

Vancouver, BC, Canada

January 2020 – Present

- Assessed AI model responses for accuracy and ethical compliance, providing feedback to drive continuous improvement.
- Rejected unsafe or privacy-compromising outputs, promoting responsible AI use and enhancing user trust.

SFU eSports Coach / Manager / Player

Simon Fraser University

- Competed as a player for three years, helping the team reach the 2020 West Conference Playoffs and secure a top 8 finish.
- Led the team to a Top 4 finish in the 2023 season by organizing effective practice sessions, tournaments, and scrimmages.

SKILLS

Communication & Team-Oriented Skills

- eSports Teammate (5+ years), Coach (3+ years), Manager (1+ years)
- Tutor (3+ years)

Technical Skills

- Game Design Tools: Unity, Unreal Engine 4, Autodesk Maya, Rhino3D
- Data Visualization: Observable, Tableau
- Coding Languages: fluency in Java, Python, C++, & C#, IDEs and Platforms (GitHub, Kraken, Processing, Eclipse) •
- Microsoft Excel, Word, PowerPoint, Teams •
- Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Premiere Pro, Adobe InDesign, Audacity