

# William Garner Newton

## Game Designer

### EDUCATION

**Purdue University**, West Lafayette, IN

Aug 2018 — May 2022

- Bachelor of Science in Game Design & Development.
- Minors in Computer Science and Computer Information Technology.
- Dean's list.

GPA 3.91

All Semesters

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**Sony Immersive Music Studios**, Culver City, CA

Jun 2022 — Aug 2022

**Summer Associate – Game Designer**

- Collaborated in a remote setting with other interns to pitch, design, and document an Unreal Engine 4/5 project as an extension to the studio's current focus.
- Greyboxed and iterated on three immersive environments following a narrative structure in two weeklong sprints.
- Designed engaging player systems and activities throughout with blueprints.
- Managed tasks in Jira and source control with Perforce.

**Purdue University**, West Lafayette, IN

Jan 2021 — Nov 2021

**Game Programmer**

- Planned, prototyped, and implemented an algorithm game mode that changes difficulty based on player skill in Unity with C#.
- Communicated and coordinated to effectively create multiple project variations tailored to different research needs.
- Provided updated documentation detailing new systems and changes implemented into the project.

**Roblox**

Jan 2014 — Dec 2018

**Independent Game Developer**

- Developed RPG games with a focus on a cohesive world and involved storytelling that have amassed over 10 million total user visits.
- Scripted with Lua and modeled in Roblox Studio.
- Monitored industry trends to plan and create updates.
- Responded to user feedback with bug fixes and improving reward scenarios.

### PROJECTS

**SpookShot** (Spooky 3D Collectable Platformer)

2022

**Unreal Engine 4**

- Senior capstone project with eight other students to develop a third person 3D collectable platformer with sandbox like levels and objectives.
- Created and iterated on platforming-based levels with multiple objectives such as platforming, time-trial, collectables, and more in Unreal Engine.
- Designed modular game systems with easy implementation into levels.
- Managed source control with GitLFS in Unreal Engine.

**The Phantom Metro** (Unsettling First Person Exploration)

2020

**Unreal Engine 4**

- Created a game design document with a game overview, level map, gameplay summary, and visual references.
- Blocked out the city park level in a three-act structure with different encounters.
- Programmed modular systems designed for future extensibility.
- Integrated marketplace assets to create a highly stylized atmosphere.

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### TECHNICAL SKILLS

Unreal Engine 4

Unity

Roblox Studio

Android Studio

Adobe Photoshop

Adobe Premiere Pro

Autodesk Maya

Office Suite

Jira

Programming Languages:

- Java
- C, C#
- Lua
- SQL
- UE4 Blueprints

### SKILLS

Level Design

Technical Game Design

Game Scripting

Prototyping

Documentation

Quality Control

Team Motivation

Collaboration

Problem Solving

Time Management

### OTHER

### ACHIEVEMENTS

**Eagle Scout**

Boy Scouts of America

**Database Administration Fundamentals**

Microsoft Technology Associate