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EDUCATION

University of North Carolina at Charlotte, Charlotte, NC

December, 2026

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, Concentration in AI, Gaming, and Robotics

Dean's List

Temple University, Japan Campus, Tokyo, Tokyo-to, Japan

Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA

September 2025 - December 2025

August 2022 - May 2023

COURSEWORK

Logic and Algorithms, Matrices and Linear Algebra, Intro to Probability and Statistics, Computers and Their Impact on Society, Data Structures and Algorithms, Introduction to Human-Centered Computing, Intro to Computer Systems, Data Matter, Foundations of Machine Learning

SKILLS

Programming Languages: Python, Java, JavaScript, C#, C++, Assembly, HTML, CSS, R, Visual Basic, Shell Script, MATLAB, SQL

Frameworks/Tools: Unity, Godot, Jupyter Notebook, Linux, Node.js, React.js, scikit-learn, Pandas, NumPy

Spoken Languages: English, Basic Conversational Japanese

PROJECT EXPERIENCE

Custom Photography Portfolio, https://ryan-holdstock-photography.neocities.org

August, 2025 - Present

- Designed and developed the front-end and back-end of a personal photography portfolio using HTML, CSS, and JavaScript.
- Implemented Masonry.js and ImagesLoaded.js to create a responsive and dynamic image gallery.
- Streamlined project management by utilizing Git and GitHub Desktop for version control to safely update website.
- Built a custom lightbox display on image click with button and arrow key navigation using EventListeners.
- Optimized website for mobile and desktop using responsive design techniques that adapt the website based on window size.
- Created a sorting system based on image data and id to make photo organization more user friendly and allow image filtering.
- Utilized Firefox development tools for debugging purposes and compatibility testing on different devices.

Flappy Bird Demake, https://rasberrypi.itch.io/flipp-bjord

February, 2023

- Recreated Flappy Bird in Unity utilizing C# and implementing core functionality such as gravity, jumping, and input.
- Programmed random obstacle generation, multiple difficulty modes, and saved high scores.
- Developed a start screen, menu system, and pause functionality with a focus on making an appealing and functional UI.
- Maintained a cohesive stylized aesthetic, sound effects, volume control, and parallax camera movement.

Arch Linux, https://github.com/ryan-holdstock-04/Arch-Dotfiles

May, 2025 - Present

- Installed and customized Arch Linux, gaining experience with configuration files, shell scripting, and command-line tools.
- Applied principles of color theory and UI design to create a visually appealing and productive desktop environment.
- Maximized workflow efficiency through customized key bindings, automation scripts, and a fully tailored system.

Anki Class Leaderboard Tracker,

February, 2025 - April, 2025

- Developed an application to track Anki class leaderboard statistics, fostering a sense of community and competition in class.
- Utilized Discord's API to create a bot that allows users to easily track their current placement, streak, and other statistics.
- Gained experience with web-scraping, data-management, and sorting algorithms.

Study Abroad in Japan

September 2025 - December 2025

- Immersed in and adapted to life in a foreign environment while managing a full academic course load.
- Explored Computer Science and Machine Learning in an international setting, building skills for cross-cultural collaboration.
- Tested out of Japanese I through self-study to qualify for more programs abroad and won an award in Japanese II.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Spun Yarn, Cary, NC

2020 - 2022

Beta Reader

- Beta read books, providing valuable feedback to aspiring authors in a variety of genres and demographics.
- Developed ability to think critically about literature and gained experience giving and receiving different types of feedback.

Glory Days Grill & Scratch Kitchen, Cary, NC

Summer of 2022 and 2023

Back of House Employee, Front of House Employee, Dishwasher, Runner, Server Support, Host

- Collaborated with team members in a fast-paced and high-pressure restaurant environment.
- Interacted with customers to make sure their needs were being met, building customer service skills.
- Maintained cleanliness in the kitchen by always being the last one out, ensuring the restaurant is ready for the next day.
- Assisted kitchen staff with food preparation when needed, demonstrating initiative and flexibility.