Brian He

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PROFILE

A creative programmer with a history of engineering hacky solutions along with an enthusiasm for neuroscience. Well practiced in high-level scripting languages for robotics, data analysis, and game engines.

SKILLS

Programming languages C, C#, C++, Python

Software & Tools

Unity, Unreal, ROS, MATLAB, Git, Perforce, R, SPSS

EDUCATION

Masters of Entertainment Technology, Carnegie Mellon University cGPA: 3.7

08/2024 - 05/2026

Neuroscience, *University of Toronto* Honours Bachelor of Science

09/2017 - 05/2022

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Unity Robotics Programmer (Paid Full-Time Summer Intern),

05/2025 – present

Carnegie Mellon University: The Robotics Institute & ETC *⊗*

- Head hunted by the director for the development & setup of a newly purchased Unitree G1 humanoid robot
- Lead weekly 1-on-1 meetings with the director of the ETC discussing progress and future directions based on current
- Adapted a software solution for **interfacing** with the **G1 robot** via **Unity** (based on a deprecated open source package)
- Wrote custom in-house Unity API scripts and packages for interfacing with the Unitree G1 robot in C#
- Rapidly prototyped various "proof-of-concept" movements and animations on the G1 robot via ROS and Python
- Created an auxiliary football launching attachment for the G1 robot, by hijacking the internals of a toy bought off Amazon
- Translated technical terminologies between parties with varying technical proficiencies
- Created documentations for the development process of both the hardware and software

Software Engineer, Carnegie Mellon University &

11/2024 - 05/2025

- Successfully proposed a project to CMU faculty to fund the development of a virtual pet application on the Apple Vision **Pro** for the semester of Spring 2025
- Recruited a specialized skeleton crew of 4 programmers and 2 artists
- Programmed a ESP32 microcontroller in C++ to communicate telemetry data from a stuffed animal to the Apple Vision
- Designed a hacky bluetooth communication system that significantly reduced development time and cost by months
- Designed and refined the features of the virtual pet game using an AGILE development cycle with weekly standups
- Co-developed the game logic of the virtual pet using Unity Game Engine and C#

Project Lead / Software Developer, HIRN Interactive *⊘*

05/2022 - 02/2024

- Co-founded a **start-up company** with Dr. Tod Thiele and researcher David Yue
- Designed and developed a feature rich virtual reality software for neuroscience education using Unity and C#
- Co-created a website where 3D illustrations exported from the VR tool can be uploaded and shared by students and researchers
- Refined features through **iterative feedback** of professors and students via in-person **tech demos**
- Campaigned pitches infront of investors and stakeholders throughout the duration of the project

AWARDS

Carnegie Mellon University: School of Computer Science,

11/2024

Computer Science + X Grant Recipient ≥

- Awarded \$4000 dollars by CMU SCS to freely pursue a side project over the span of a year
- Proposed a project to utilize virtual reality as a platform for communicating industry standard medical imagery files (DICOM) between multiple parties in **real-time 3D**

University of Toronto Startup Competition, Finalist & Award Winner

01/2022

- **Top 6 finalist** of 77 entries
- Awarded \$1000 for the development of a virtual reality tool that allows the users to explore the human brain

PROJECTS

Building Virtual Worlds | Arcade Game 🔗

11/2024 - 12/2024

- A "hackathon" style project where 2 artist, 2 programmer, and 1 sound designer create a game in 10 days
- Developed an **augmented reality** hide and seek game on a **novel arcade interface** designed by CMU ECE students
- **Programmed the logic** behind the game that leveraged the unique perspective enabled through high refresh rate LCD glasses, utilizing the **Unity Game Engine and C#**

MATLAB Gambling Game ∂

05/2021 - 09/2021

- Implemented a gambling game that assessed a user's ability to take calculated risks
- Utilized MATLAB to script the entire experimental paradigm, which dynamically adapted the experiement based on user behavior
- Optimized data analysis by writing a script which automated the post-processing of data

3D Printed Keyboard & Custom Firmware 🔗

05/2021 - 06/2021

- Designed and developed a custom 3D printed keyboard that fits around a Keebio Iris Rev4
- Compiled then flashed a custom firmware, written in **C**, onto the PCB of the keyboard to enable unique rotary encoder functions

Thatgamecompany × COREBLAZER GAME JAM 2025 🔗

06/2025 - 06/2025

- Quickly learned **Unreal Engine 5** and helped program various gameplay features and camera effects via **Unreal Blueprints**
- Coordinated the last minute sprint on the weekend of the submission with a team of 2 programmers and 2 artists