

# JOSEPH BROWN

Entry-Level Gameplay Programmer

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## PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Recent Game Design graduate with hands-on experience in Unreal Engine Blueprint development. Passionate about creating engaging gameplay experiences with a focus on AI behavior systems and player interaction. Currently learning C++ programming to expand technical capabilities. Seeking an entry-level gameplay programming position to contribute to game development while continuing to grow technical skills.

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## CORE COMPETENCIES

### Game Development

- Unreal Engine 5 Blueprints (Beginner)
- Blueprint Visual Scripting
- Game Mechanics Implementation
- Basic AI Behavior Trees (Blueprint-based)
- Level Design and Scripting
- Performance Optimization Fundamentals

### Programming Skills

- Blueprint Visual Scripting (Intermediate)
- Python (Beginner)
- Java (Academic Experience)
- C++ (Currently Learning - No Game Development Experience)
- Basic Debugging and Testing

### Development Tools

- Unreal Engine 5
- Git Version Control
- Basic Agile/Scrum Understanding
- Documentation and Communication
- Team Collaboration Tools

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## EDUCATION

### Bachelor of Science: Game Design

Full Sail University | Florida | Graduated: January 2025

*Specialized Focus: AI Systems, Gameplay Programming, Blueprint Development*

### Relevant Coursework:

- Advanced Gameplay Systems
- AI Programming Fundamentals
- Level Design Theory

- Technical Game Design
- Programming for Games

#### **Academic Projects:**

- Basic AI behavior system for combat scenarios
  - Simple gameplay mechanics using Blueprint scripting
  - Performance optimization exercises for game systems
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## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

### **Junior Software Engineer**

Revature | Remote | April 2025 - June 2025

- Learned backend development fundamentals with focus on clean code practices
- Collaborated with development teams using Agile methodologies
- Contributed to debugging and testing processes in structured learning environment
- Developed understanding of software development lifecycle and best practices

### **Unreal Project Intern**

Escape Room | Remote | February 2025 - April 2025

- Assisted with basic character customization system implementation
- Learned asset pipeline processes and basic optimization techniques
- Supported project documentation and milestone tracking
- Gained experience with remote collaboration and project management tools

### **Independent Game Development Projects**

Personal Projects | February 2024 - February 2025

- Developed small-scale game prototypes using Unreal Engine Blueprints
  - Implemented basic AI behaviors using behavior trees and state machines
  - Created simple combat and interaction systems for learning purposes
  - Practiced version control and project organization best practices
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## **KEY PROJECTS**

### **Limitless Runner - Endless Runner Game**

*Personal Project | Published on Steam*

- Developed infinite procedural generation system for platform spawning
- Implemented 12 animation states for character movement and grappling mechanics
- Created 5 platform types with different movement patterns
- Designed power-up system with basic gameplay effects
- Achieved stable performance through object pooling techniques
- *Technologies: Unreal Engine, Blueprints, Steam Publishing*

### **Blood and sand - AI Learning Project**

*Academic/Personal Project*

- Built basic AI combat system with simple enemy behaviors using Blueprint visual scripting
- Implemented fundamental behavior trees for enemy decision-making in Blueprints
- Created modular framework for testing different AI approaches using visual scripting
- Developed small combat arena with environmental interactions
- Focused on readable, predictable AI behaviors for learning purposes
- *Technologies: Unreal Engine, Blueprints, Visual Scripting*

## Character Customization System

### *Internship Project*

- Assisted in implementing basic character appearance modification system
  - Learned integration between UI systems and character rendering
  - Supported asset optimization for various target platforms
  - Gained experience with collaborative development workflows
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## TECHNICAL SKILLS

### Game Engines & Tools

- Unreal Engine 5: Intermediate Blueprints, Basic C++ Integration
- Basic AI Systems: Simple Behavior Trees, State Machines
- Performance Awareness: Basic optimization principles and profiling

### Programming Languages

- Blueprint Visual Scripting: Intermediate (Primary game development tool)
- C++: Currently Learning (No game development experience yet)
- Python: Beginner (Scripting and basic automation)
- Java: Academic knowledge (Backend systems understanding)

### Development Workflow

- Version Control: Git, basic branching and merging
  - Documentation: Technical writing, project documentation
  - Collaboration: Remote team experience, basic Agile understanding
  - Testing: Manual testing, basic debugging approaches
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## ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

**Quick Learner:** Demonstrated ability to pick up new technologies and frameworks efficiently

**Problem-Solving:** Strong analytical thinking and systematic approach to debugging

**Team Collaboration:** Experience working with remote teams and cross-disciplinary communication

**Self-Motivated:** Completed personal projects and maintained consistent learning outside of formal education

**Communication:** Able to explain technical concepts clearly and document work effectively

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## PROFESSIONAL INTERESTS

- Gameplay Programming and Systems Design
  - AI Behavior Development and Implementation
  - Performance Optimization in Game Development
  - Player Experience and Accessibility in Games
  - Continuous Learning in Game Development Technologies
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*Available for entry-level positions with opportunities for mentorship and professional growth in gameplay programming.*