# 飛 The UNivERSITY Of ArizonA。 <br> New Academic Program Workflow Form 

## General

## Proposed Name: Game Design and Development

Transaction Nbr: 00000000000034
Plan Type: Major
Academic Career: Undergraduate
Degree Offered: Bachelor of Science
Do you want to offer a minor? Y
Anticipated 1st Admission Term: Fall 2020

## Details

Department(s):
SBSC

| DEPTMNT ID | DEPARTMENT NAME | HOST |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 0481 | School of Information | Y |

Campus(es):

## MAIN

| LOCATION | DESCRIPTION |
| :--- | :--- |
| TUCSON | Tucson |

Admission application terms for this plan: Spring: Y Summer: Y Fall: Y Plan admission types:

Freshman: Y Transfer: Y Readmit: Y Graduate: N
Non Degree Certificate (UCRT only): N
Other (For Community Campus specifics): N

Plan Taxonomy: 50.0411, Game and Interactive Media Design.

Program Length Type: Program Length Value: 0.00
Report as NSC Program:
SULA Special Program:

## Print Option:

Diploma: Y Bachelor of Science in Game Design and Development
Transcript: Y Bachelor of Science in Game Design and Development

## Conditions for Admission/Declaration for this Major:

Current students must be in good standing academically (2.0 GPA or above) in order to declare the major. Students do not have to complete any coursework before joining the major, and should declare the major by meeting with an academic advisor.

## Requirements for Accreditation:

## N/A

## Program Comparisons

## University Appropriateness

The iSchool is the only iSchool in the Southwest U.S. and in Arizona - as an interdisciplinary site for exploring 4th IR, cutting edge, and new media experiences, the iSchool is uniquely situated to serve the student population in this capacity. As a College, SBS means to explore human experiences, the iSchool focuses on issues where technologies and people intersect, so these programs are consistent with our University and College goals. These proposals are also consistent with other top iSchool activity (e.g., Illinois iSchool announces the hire of Dr. Pintar, who does research on: Social Informatics, interactive AI and suggestibility, developing tools to foster programming literacy through collaborative game design, interactive digital narrative, playful pedagogies, social narrative approaches to trauma and memory studies).

## Arizona University System

| NBR | PROGRAM | DEGREE | \#STDNTS | LOCATION | ACCRDT |
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| 1 | Digital <br> Culture- <br> Media <br> Process | BS | 67 | Arizona State <br> University | N |

## Peer Comparison

Please see attachment.

## Faculty \& Resources

## Faculty

Current Faculty:

| INSTR ID | NAME | DEPT | RANK | DEGREE | FCLTY/\% |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 16308664 | David <br> Sherman | 0481 | Lecturer | Master of Fine <br> Arts | .60 |
| 01183700 | Drew Castalia | 0481 | Adj. Instor. | Master of Arts | .50 |
| 22075562 | Lal Bozgeyikli | 0481 | Assit. Prof | Doctor of <br> Philosophy | .40 |
| 22075762 | Evren <br> Bozgeyikli | 0481 | Assit. Prof | Doctor of <br> Philosophy | .40 |
| 22054491 | Catherine <br> Brooks | 0481 | Assoc. Prof | Doctor of <br> Philosophy | .20 |

Additional Faculty:
N/A
Current Student \& Faculty FTE

| DEPARTMENT | UGRD HEAD COUNT | GRAD HEAD COUNT | FACULTY FTE |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 0481 | 482 | 230 | 27.82 |

Projected Student \& Faculty FTE

|  | UGRD HEAD COUNT |  |  | GRAD HEAD COUNT |  | FACULTY FTE |  |  |
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| DEPT | YR 1 | YR 2 | YR 3 | YR 1 | YR 2 | YR 3 | YR 1 | YR 2 | YR 3 9 Y

## Library

Acquisitions Needed:
Online references through UArizona Main Library

## Physical Facilities \& Equipment

Existing Physical Facilities:
Existing resources will be used.
-Oculus Go head-mounted displays (x12)
-Virtual reality and game development compatible computer workstations (x25)
-Virtual reality and game development software installed on the computers, such as Unity Game Engine,
Adobe Suite and Oculus Libraries.
-Equipment of the Extended Reality and Games Lab that are used in some of the classes to broaden the
students knowledge on advanced systems, such as Magic Leap spatial augmented reality head-mounted
display, HTC VIVE Pro Eyes virtual reality head-mounted display, FOVE virtual reality head-mounted display.

Additional Facilities Required \& Anticipated:
Additional sections of OSCR lab offerings, along with the possibility of more:
-Oculus Go head-mounted displays
-Virtual reality and game development compatible computer workstations
-Virtual reality and game development software installed on the computers, such as Unity Game Engine,
Adobe Suite and Oculus Libraries.
-Equipment of the Extended Reality and Games Lab that are used in some of the classes to broaden the students knowledge on advanced systems, such as Magic Leap spatial augmented reality head-mounted display, HTC VIVE Pro Eyes virtual reality head-mounted display, FOVE virtual reality head-mounted display.

## Other Support

Other Support Currently Available:
existing resources will be used
Other Support Needed over the Next Three Years:
existing resources will be used

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## NEW ACADEMIC PROGRAM-UNDERGRADUATE MAJOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FORM

I. MAJOR DESCRIPTION -provide a marketing/promotional description for the proposed program. Include the purpose, nature, and highlights of the curriculum, faculty expertise, emphases (sub-plans; if any), etc. The description will be displayed on the advisement report(s), Degree Search, and should match departmental and college websites, handouts, promotional materials, etc.

The Bachelor of Science in Game Design and Development will provide undergraduate students with the design and development skills necessary to create virtual interactive environments that span across devices and platforms. This game program would include games for entertainment but also serious games and virtual reality simulations for training, education, healthcare and other purposes. The degree will provide students with the real-world skills and experience needed for successful game design and development; and will signal to employers that students have dedicated the time and energy necessary to build fluency with the underlying concepts and tools. The degree will cover all aspects of game design and development. This would include conceptualization, market analysis, technical design, and usability studies. The degree program will serve a diverse student population, training learners in artistic, technical and business aspects of games. The degree will require students to complete a set of core courses, yet also allow students to choose among a large set of electives in order to focus on their preferred areas of study (e.g., intensive programming, creative computing, and entrepreneurial aspects of game development). Students will apply the key theories and best practices they learned to practical game projects and refine their skills. Students will have multiple opportunities to produce finished games, both individually and team-based. The degree is intended for students who aspire to hold careers in the digital games industry.
II. NEED FOR THE MAJOR/JUSTIFICATION-describe how the major fulfills the needs of the city, state, region, and nation. Provide market analysis data or other tangible evidence of the need for and interest in the proposed major (and emphases, if applicable). This might include results from surveys of current students, alumni, and/or employers or reference to student enrollments in similar programs in the state or region. Include an assessment of the employment opportunities for graduates of the program for the next three years. Curricular Affairs can provide a job posting/demand report by skills obtained/outcomes/CIP code of the proposed major. Please contact Martin Marquez to request the report for your proposal.

The video game industry has been steadily growing in recent years. As the technology advances and new mediums, such as virtual and mixed reality arise, application areas of video games expand beyond entertainment, spanning areas from training and education to healthcare. A recent report (Video Games in the 21st Century) states the following facts: The total direct employment by the U.S. game industry now exceeds 65,000 employees, growing at an annual rate of $2.9 \%$. The total employment in the U.S. that depends on the game software industry now exceeds 220,000. Statistics reported the value of the video game market in the U.S. in 2017 as $\$ 18.4 \mathrm{Bn}$. Video games constitute a major industry not only in the U.S., but also in the world. In a recent report (by the games and esports analytics company NewZoo), global games market is estimated to grow to $\$ 143.5 \mathrm{Bn}$ in 2020 . Hence, creating degrees and education opportunities in video game design and development and ensuring national advancement in this field is important for keeping up with other nations as well.

The U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics reported 'Software development, applications' job that includes video game design and development among the top ten fastest-growing occupations, with a $24 \%$ annual growth (much faster than the average for all occupations). In 2016, the number of jobs for software developers was $1,256,200$ with a median annual wage of $\$ 101,790$. California is reported as the state with the highest employment level $(141,870)$. There are several employment opportunities in a wide-array of job roles, such as game designer, game programmer, game analyst, network specialist, user interface (UI) developer, art director, lead game artist, modeler, animator, quality assurance specialist, audio programmer, user experience researcher, cloud architect, level designer, content creator, user experience analyst, UI designer, producer and artificial intelligence programmer. Moreover, there are several opportunities for entrepreneuriallyminded students in independent careers that offer significant income opportunities (e.g., streaming gameplay on Twitch, which has more than 15 M unique daily visitors; participating in e-sports, where players can make up to $\$ 2 \mathrm{M}$ by playing games competitively; publishing independent games such as Minecraft, which can lead to big success and significant revenues). The proposed degree will provide education and hands-on experience in different areas of emphasis, with a variety of courses to ensure that students develop a competitive skill-set necessary for success in today's increasingly complex marketplace, and they can follow the most suitable career path for them after graduation.
Additional evidence of interest in the proposed major can be seen in enrollment of iSchool game courses such as Game Design, Game Development and Virtual Reality. A few student responses in the TCEs to the question "What did you especially like about this course?" were as follows: "Getting hands-on experience with VR development." "Learning how to code in Unity and work with VR is very fun and rewarding." "I really enjoyed the subject matter of the course. Working on VR applications is very fun and entertaining while still providing challenges." "I liked learning about some obscure aspects to Virtual reality and what goes into make a game from scripting to scenes to debugging." "Really interesting technology and
use of Unity." "The course is really fun and a cool topic to learn about and work with" "building our own 3d environments was challenging and rewarding" "The content is so interesting and activities have been consistently challenging, engaging, and fun." "The interactive use of technology is really interesting." "It was cool learning about VR and its applications. It was also great to be using the Oculus Go headsets." "Getting to use and learn about VR development was a unique opportunity." "Learning about Unity." "How VR works and how to implement your own games on it." "This was one of the best courses I have taken. I am newer to computer science, and it has made me excited to move forward. I know I will keep building on what I learned in this course, and I want to keep playing with designing in Unity and incorporate it into my future research." The interest in these courses was not only from the students of the iSchool, students from several other departments have been taking the game-related courses we offer. A recent enrollment roster (Fall 2018) for the ISTA 251 Introduction to Game Design course shows that students from a wide range of majors took the course, including General Studies, Communication, Computer Science, Business, Astronomy, and Film and Television (see Appendix B for the related data). The proposed program will address a growing student population, who wants to get education on digital games and work in the professional gaming industry afterwards. Enrollment numbers in the B.S. in Information Science \& Technology offered by the iSchool has been consistently increasing over the past five years (see Appendix C for the relevant data). This increasing trend is another indication of potential interest in the offered B.S. program in Game Design and Development.

In the State of Arizona, there are four game-related programs according to the data from the National Center for Education Statistics: (1) Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University-Prescott, which hasn't awarded any degrees yet, as the program was opened in 2017; (2) The Art Institute of Phoenix, which awarded 18 Bachelor's Degrees in 2017; (3) Yavapai College, awarded 3 certificates in 2017; (4) Pima Community College, which awarded 10 Associate Degrees in 2017. The community colleges in Arizona can be feeders to the proposed program. As a more established game program in the area, the University of Southern California's game program awarded 50 degrees in 2017.

All of the mentioned data and student interest indicate a demand for the proposed program.
III. MAJOR REQUIREMENTS- complete the table below by listing the major requirements, including required number of units, required core, electives, and any special requirements, including emphases* (sub-plans), thesis, internships, etc. Note: information in this section must be consistent throughout the proposal documents (comparison charts, four year plan, curricular/assessment map, etc.). Delete the EXAMPLE column before submitting/uploading. Complete the table in Appendix A if requesting a corresponding minor.

| Total units required to complete the degree |  |
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| Upper-division units required to complete the <br> degree | 120 |
| Foundation courses | 20 in the major, 42 upper div. for UA |
| Second language | 2nd Semester Proficiency |
| Math | Moderate Strand <br> General education requirements <br> Two 150s <br> Two 160s <br> Two 170s |
| Tier II <br> One Tier II Arts <br> One Tier II Humanities <br> One Tier II Individuals and Societies |  |
| requirements. Provide email(s)/letter(s) of <br> support from home department head(s) for <br> courses not owned by your department. | No |
| List any special requirements to declare or gain <br> admission to this major (completion of specific <br> coursework, minimum GPA, interview, <br> application, etc.) | None |
| Major requirements |  |
| Minimum \# of units required in the major (units <br> counting towards major units and major GPA) |  |


| Minimum \# of upper-division units required in <br> the major (upper division units counting <br> towards major GPA) |  |
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| Minimum \# of residency units to be completed <br> in the major |  |
| Required supporting coursework (courses that <br> do not count towards major units and major <br> GPA, but are required for the major). Courses <br> listed must include prefix, number, units, and <br> title. Include any limits/restrictions needed <br> (house number limit, etc.). Provide <br> email(s)/letter(s) of support from home <br> department head(s) for courses not owned by <br> your department. | -ISTA 116 Statistical Foundations for the Information Age (3) |
| Major requirements. List all major requirements <br> including core and electives. If applicable, list <br> the emphasis requirements for each proposed <br> emphasis*. Courses listed count towards major <br> units and major GPA. Courses listed must <br> include prefix, number, units, and title. Mark <br> new coursework (New). Include any <br> limits/restrictions needed (house number limit, <br> etc.). Provide email(s)/letter(s) of support from <br> home department head(s) for courses not <br> mwned by your department. | Core Courses/Required Major Coursework <br> (28 units) <br> GAME 1XX Programming for Game Dev. (3) <br> GAME 2XX Game Development I (3) <br> ISTA 130 Computational Thinking and Doing (4) <br> ISTA 161 Ethics in a Digital World (3) |
| ISTA 251 Introduction to Game Design (3) <br> ISTA 416 Introduction to Human Computer Interaction (3) <br> ISTA 425 Algorithms for Games (3) <br> ISTA 451 Game Development (3) * will be renamed Game Dev. II <br> ISTA 498 Senior Capstone (3) |  |
|  | Elective Coursework in the Major |
| $\left(\begin{array}{ll}\text { (18 upper division units) The School of Information faculty have generated } \\ \text { suggested course combinations to assist students with their career goals, though } \\ \text { students can choose any combination of major elective courses, in consultation }\end{array}\right.$ |  |
| with their advisor. |  |


|  | - ISTA 424 Virtual Reality (3) <br> GAME FUTURES <br> - (New) GAME 3XX Monetizing Indep. Gaming (3) <br> - ESOC 316 Digital Commerce (3) <br> - ESOC 318 Disruptive Technologies (3) <br> - LIS 484 Introduction to Copyright (3) <br> ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND GAMES <br> - ISTA 450 Artificial Intelligence (3) <br> - (New) GAME 4XX Artificial Intelligence in Games (3) <br> - ISTA 421 Introduction to Machine Learning (3) <br> - ISTA 457 Neural Networks (3) <br> ART OF GAMES <br> - ISTA 301 Computing and the Arts (3) <br> - ISTA 302 Technology of Sound (3) <br> - ISTA 303 Introduction to Creative Coding (3) <br> - ESOC 300 Digital Storytelling and Culture (3) <br> - ESOC 340 Information, Multimedia Design \& the Moving Image (3) |
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| Internship, practicum, applied course requirements (Yes/No). If yes, provide description. | No |
| Senior thesis or senior project required (Yes/No). If yes, provide description. | Yes <br> - ISTA 498 Senior Capstone (3) |
| Additional requirements (provide description) | None |
| Minor (specify if optional or required) | Optional |
| Any double-dipping restrictions (Yes/No)? If yes, provide description. | Majors with the new BA in Game Behavior cannot minor with this BS. |

*Emphases are officially recognized sub-specializations within the discipline. ABOR Policy 2-221 c. Academic Degree Programs Subspecializations requires all undergraduate emphases within a major to share at least $40 \%$ curricular commonality across emphases (known as "major core"). Total units required for each emphasis must be equal. Proposed emphases having similar curriculum with
other plans (within department, college, or university) may require completion of an additional comparison chart. Complete the table found in Appendix B to indicate if emphases should be printed on student transcripts and diplomas.
IV. CURRENT COURSES-using the table below, list all existing courses included in the proposed major. You can find information to complete the table using the UA course catalog or UAnalytics (Catalog and Schedule Dashboard> "Printable Course Descriptions by Department" On Demand Report; right side of screen). If the courses listed belong to a department that is not a signed party to this implementation request, upload the department head's permission to include the courses in the proposed program and information regarding accessibility to and frequency of offerings for the course(s). Upload letters of support/emails from department heads to the "Letter(s) of Support" field on the UAccess workflow form. Add rows to the table, as needed.

| Course prefix and number (include crosslistings) | Units | Title | Course Description | Pre-requisites | Modes of delivery (online, inperson, hybrid) | Typically Offered (F, W, $\mathrm{Sp}, \mathrm{Su}$ ) | Dept signed party to proposal? (Yes/No) |
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| ISTA 116 | 3 | Statistical <br> Foundations <br> for the <br> Information <br> Age | Understanding uncertainty and variation in modern data: data summarization and description, rules of counting and basic probability, data visualization, graphical data summaries, working with large data sets, prediction of stochastic outputs from quantitative inputs. Operations with statistical computer packages such as R. | None | In-Person | F., SP. | In iSchool |
| ESOC 300 | 3 | Digital Storytelling and Culture | This course will lay a foundation for understanding how stories shape communities, identities, memories, and perspectives on our lives. In addition, this course will provide opportunities for the theoretical analysis of self-representation, composite narratives on behalf of others, cultural heritage, and memories as they are preserved and performed within stories and through narrative. Influences on digital storytelling such as the sociocultural context, the institutional contexts of production the audience, and the needs or goals of the digital storyteller will be examined. Students will be required to call on their own intellectual, emotional, and imaginative processes, as well as to develop their own skills in digital storytelling, | None | In-Person Online | F, Sp, Su | In iSchool |


|  |  |  | interviewing, oral history collection, and the use of relevant digital storytelling tools. |  |  |  |  |
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| ESOC 316 | 3 | Digital Commerce | This course will look at how commerce in information content (websites, books, databases, music, movies, software, etc.) functions. We will discuss things like switching costs, net neutrality, the long tail, differential pricing, and complementary goods. We will address the following sorts of questions: - Why do so many information producers give away content (such as "apps" for mobile phones) for free? How do companies (such as Google and Facebook) stay in business when no one has to pay to use their services? - What are contemporary practices with regard to purchasing access to information content? For instance, why do we tend to buy books, but only rent movies? Also, how do new modes of content provision (such as Pandora and Spotify) change the way that creators get paid for their work? - Why are there restrictions on how information content can be used? For instance, why can you play the DVD that you bought on your trip to Europe on the DVD player that you bought at home in the United States? But why should anybody other than an economist care about the answers to these sorts of questions? The world now runs on the production, dissemination, and consumption of information. All of us constantly access all sorts of information, through all sorts of devices, from all sorts of providers. We read and interact with websites, we query databases, and we communicate with each other via social media. These sorts of activities permeate both our personal and professional lives. In order to successfully navigate this digital world, information consumers, information producers, and information policy makers need to understand what sorts of information goods are likely to be | None | In-person Online | F, Sp, Su | In iSchool |


|  |  |  | available and how much they are likely to cost. We cannot learn enough about digital commerce simply by studying the various information technologies that are now available to create and disseminate information content. What matters most is how people choose to spend their time using these technologies, and what sorts of content can provide earning potential for its creators. What also matters are the unique properties of information content that make it very different from other sorts of goods. For instance, while only one person at a time can drive a particular car or eat a particular hamburger, millions of people can simultaneously read the same book, listen to the same song, and use the same software. These are issues that are part and parcel to living, working, purchasing, and being entertained in an eSociety; these are the issues addressed in this course. |  |  |  |  |
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| ESOC 318 | 3 | Disruptive Technologies | This course introduces key concepts and skills needed for those working with information and communication technologies (ICT). Students will be exposed to hardware and software technologies, and they will explore a wide variety of topics including processing and memory systems, diagnostics and repair strategies, operating systems in both desktop and mobile devices. As part of this course, students will consider current technological disruptions, those issues emerging as technologies and social needs collide. Students we also learn about design issues and user needs tied to mobile or computer applications and web-based tools, sites, games, data platforms, or learning environments. | None | In-person Online | F, Sp, Su | In iSchool |
| ESOC 340 | 3 | Information, <br> Multimedia <br> Design \& the <br> Moving Image | We are living in a time when nearly everyone has the means to make movies, music and photos using just their own personal tools like smartphones, iPads, and similar mobile gadgets. This course will develop and refine skills and understanding of multimedia in contemporary culture. Offering a | None | In-person | F, Sp, Su | In iSchool |


|  |  |  | survey of innovative works in film and information arts, this course will allow students a hands-on opportunity to respond to concepts covered in class using self-produced media. This course will address how information functions in time-based forms of multimedia and video in this era of interactive information and displays. Drawing on historical precedents in the media and computational arts, this course focuses on both linear and non-linear approaches of using image, sound and text to create critical and creative works that function in a the context of social media and our contemporary digital society. How and why do certain images, music or films affect us so profoundly? We will address this question through a study of the components of media literacy that include: Production, Language, Representation, and Audience. These concepts will be examined through a cross-section of writers including: Marshall McLuhan, John Berger and Susan Sontag. |  |  |  |  |
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| ISTA 130 | 4 | Computational Thinking and Doing | An introduction to computational techniques and using a modern programming language to solve current problems drawn from science, technology, and the arts. Topics include control structures, elementary data structures, and effective program design and implementation techniques. Weekly laboratory. | College algebra recommended. | In-person | F, Sp, Su | In iSchool |
| ISTA 161 | 3 | Ethics in a Digital World | This course explores the social, legal, and cultural fallout from the exponential explosion in communication, storage, and increasing uses of data and data production. In this class, we emphasize the opposing potentials of information technologies to make knowledge widely available and to distort and restrict our perceptions. In a world of rapid technological change, topics include (but are not limited to): eavesdropping and secret communications, privacy; Internet censorship and filtering, cyberwarfare, computer ethics and ethical | None | In-person | F, Sp, Su | In iSchool |


|  |  |  | behavior, copyright protection and peer-to-peer networks, broadcast and telecommunications regulation, including net neutrality, data leakage, and the power and control of search engines. |  |  |  |  |
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| ISTA 251 | 3 | Introduction to Game Design | This course provides an introduction to game design and teaches students the fundamental concepts for creating games. Students will survey many different games, exploring the issues game designers face when designing games in different genres. Students will participate in a series of game design challenges and will be responsible for designing and prototyping simple games using a game building tool. Students will present their solutions to these challenges in front of the class for general discussion and constructive criticism. | None | In-Person | F, Sp, Su | In iSchool |
| ISTA 301 | 3 | Computing and the Arts | This course examines the ways in which computing and information science support and facilitate the production and creation of art in current society. A particular focus of the course will be to discuss how artists have used advances in technology and computing capacity to explore new ways of making art, and to investigate the relationships between technical innovation and the artistic process. | None | In-Person | F, Sp | In iSchool |
| ISTA 302 | 3 | Technology of Sound | This course will provide the student with the information and experience necessary for the creation and manipulation of digital audio. Students will have the opportunity to experience the musicmaking process with the technology tools and techniques that are common in both home and professional studios. The class will make use of a variety of software packages designed for contemporary music production, explaining the universal techniques and concepts that run through all major software programs. Topics will include musical analysis, MIDI control, synthesis techniques, audio editing, and audio mixing. Lab assignments will emphasize hands-on experience working with musical hardware and software to provide the necessary skills to create music based | None | In-Person | F, Sp | In iSchool |


|  |  |  | on today's musical styles. The course provides the foundation for further study, creative applications, and personal expression. |  |  |  |  |
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| ISTA 303 | 3 | Introduction to Creative Coding | While the 20th Century saw the rise of the knowledge worker and the information worker, the 21 st Century has ushered in the era of the creative professional. Our society is being rapidly transformed by new technologies that are revolutionizing many spheres of life, from entrepreneurship to artistic production. This course provides an introduction to software and hardware packages that are spurring innovation and creativity. Students will explore rapid prototyping, object design, and physical computing using ComputerAided Design Software, 3D printing technology, and Arduino circuit boards. The Processing programming language will be introduced in this course and used to create generative artworks in both visual and audio idioms. An overview of creative evolutionary computation will survey applications of genetic algorithms and artificial intelligence for creating art. | CSC 127A or CSC 110 or ISTA 130 or ECE 175 or equivalent or consent of instructor. | In-person | F, Sp | In iSchool |
| ISTA 331 | 3 | Principles and Practice of Data Science | ISTA 331 explores the ideas and techniques that businesspersons and scientists alike use to exploit data in order to create knowledge and make money. Topics and projects may include recommender systems (which powered Amazon's rise to global retail dominance), spam filters (the first machine learning application that affected our daily lives), topic extraction from documents, and an introduction to neural networks. | ISTA 116 and ISTA 131 | In-person | F (even years) | In iSchool |
| ISTA 350 | 4 | Prog. for Informatics Applications | This course will provide an introduction to informatics application programming using the python programming language and applying statistical concepts from a first semester statistics course. A key goal of this course is to prepare students for upper division ISTA courses by expanding on the skills gained in ISTA 116 and 130 but will be broadly applicable to any informatics discipline. Throughout the semester students will be | ISTA 131 and ISTA 116; or consent of instructor | In-person | Sp | In iSchool |


|  |  |  | faced with information application problems drawn from several different disciplines in order to expand their breadth of experience while simultaneously increasing their depth of knowledge of scientific and informatics programming methods. Students will practice problem decomposition and abstraction, gaining experience in identifying commonly occurring information processing issues and in applying well-known solutions. In addition, students will design their own algorithmic solutions to problems and will learn how to effectively compare different solutions, evaluating efficiency in order to choose the best solution for a given problem. Periodic code reviews will be held in order to expose students to a range of different solution methods, which will aid them in discovering weaknesses in their own work and will improve their ability to communicate with others on technical topics. The course will include an introduction to the python scientific computing libraries and other statistical packages. Additional course topics will include the use of version control systems, software profiling, general software engineering practices and basic shell scripting. |  |  |  |  |
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| ISTA 416 | 3 | Introduction to Human Comp. Interaction | The field of Human-Computer Interaction (HCI) encompasses the design, implementation, and evaluation of interactive computing systems. This course will provide a survey of HCI theory and practice. The course will address the presentation of information and the design of interaction from a human-centered perspective, looking at relevant perceptive, cognitive, and social factors influencing in the design process. It will motivate practical design guidelines for information presentation through Gestalt theory and studies of consistency, memory, and interpretation. Technological concerns will be examined that include interaction styles, devices, constraints, affordances, and metaphors. Theories, principles and design guidelines will be surveyed for both classical and emerging interaction | ISTA 130 or CSC 110 or ECE 175 or consent of the instructor. | In person | F, Sp | In iSchool |


|  |  |  | paradigms, with case studies from practical application scenarios. As a central theme, the course will promote the processes of usability engineering, introducing the concepts of participatory design, requirements analysis, rapid prototyping, iterative development, and user evaluation. Both quantitative and qualitative evaluation strategies will be discussed. This course is co-convened: Upper-level undergraduates and graduate students are encouraged to enroll. Graduate students will be expected to complete more substantial projects and will be given more in-depth reading assignments. |  |  |  |  |
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| ISTA 421 | 3 | Introduction to Machine Learning | Machine learning describes algorithms which can modify their internal parameters (i.e., "learn") to recognize patterns and make decisions based on examples or through interaction with the environment. This course will introduce the fundamentals of machine learning, will describe how to implement several practical methods for pattern recognition, feature selection, clustering, and decision making for reward maximization, and will provide a foundation for the development of new machine learning algorithms. | ISTA 311, <br> MATH 129, and MATH 313, or equivalent, or consent of instructor. ISTA 116 or comparable is recommended. | In person | F | In iSchool |
| ISTA 424 | 3 | Virtual Reality | Virtual reality is an emerging novel area of technology that has been becoming more and more widely used. It enables a more immersive user experience as the head mounted displays surround 360-degree view. It encompasses many disciplines such as computer science, human computer interaction, game design and development, information science and psychology. This course merges a theoretical, practical and project based approach to give students the necessary knowledge required to design and develop their own virtual reality projects using Unity, which is one of the most widely used 3D game engines worldwide. | ISTA 130 , CSC 110 or ECE 175 with a grade of "C" or higher | In person | F, Sp | In iSchool |
| ISTA 425 | 3 | Algorithms for Games | Algorithms is a crucial component of game development. This course will provide students with an in-depth introduction to algorithm concepts for game development. The course will cover basic | ISTA 350 or CSC 335 or consent of instructor | In person | F, Sp | In iSchool |


|  |  |  | algorithm and data structures concepts, basic math concepts related to game algorithms, physics and artificial intelligence based game algorithms that are supplemented with modern examples. Unity Game Engine along with C\# programming language will be used throughout the class. |  |  |  |  |
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| ISTA 450 | 3 | Artificial Intelligence | The methods and tools of Artificial Intelligence used to provide systems with the ability to autonomously problem solve and reason with uncertain information. Topics include: problem solving (search spaces, uninformed and informed search, games, constraint satisfaction), principles of knowledge representation and reasoning (propositional and first-order logic, logical inference, planning), and representing and reasoning with uncertainty (Bayesian networks, probabilistic inference, decision theory). | ISTA 350 or CSC 345 or equivalent, or consent of instructor | In person | Sp | In iSchool |
| ISTA 451 | 3 | Game Development | This course provides an introduction to video game development. We will explore game design (not just computer games, but all games) and continue with an examination of game prototyping. Once we have working prototypes, we will continue with the development of a complete 2D computer game. The remaining course topics include: designing the game engine, rendering the graphics to the screen, and artificial intelligence. Students will be given periodic homework that reinforces what was learned in class. Homework will include developing a game prototype, game design documentation, some programming tasks. Students will work in small teams to develop a working game as a term project. Grades will be primarily based on the term project with some small amount of weight to homework. The examples provided in class will be programmed in Java and available for execution on any operating system. Programming homework assignments will be done in either Java or the language chosen by the instructor. The term project can be written in any programming language with instructor permission. | ISTA 130 or CSC 110 or CSC 127A or ECE 175, or consent of instructor. | In person | F, Sp | In iSchool |


| ISTA 457 | 3 | Neural <br> Networks | Neural networks are a branch of machine learning that combines a large number of simple computational units to allow computers to learn from and generalize over complex patterns in data. Students in this course will learn how to train and optimize feed forward, convolutional, and recurrent neural networks for tasks such as text classification, image recognition, and game playing. | ISTA 350 or CSC 345 or NSCS 344 or equivalent, or consent of instructor | In-person | F, Sp | In iSchool |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ISTA 498 | 3 | Senior Capstone | A culminating experience for majors involving a substantive project that demonstrates a synthesis of learning accumulated in the major, including broadly comprehensive knowledge of the discipline and its methodologies. Senior standing required. | Consent of instructor. | In-person | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{F}, \mathrm{Sp}, \\ & \mathrm{Su} \end{aligned}$ | In iSchool |
| LIS 484 | 3 | Introduction to Copyright | Introduces the basics of copyright law and fair use, also discusses the theoretical foundations and history of copyright and the public domain. These issues are placed within a broader multicultural and international context. By the end of the course students will: (a) know the basics of copyright law and fair use as they apply to libraries and related information services, and (b) understand the importance of balancing the rights of intellectual property owners with the societal need for a robust public domain. | None | In Person, online | F, Su | In iSchool |

V. NEW COURSES NEEDED - using the table below, list any new courses that must be created for the proposed program. If the specific course number is undetermined, please provide level (ie CHEM $4^{* *}$ ). Add rows as needed. Is a new prefix needed? If so, provide the subject description so Curricular Affairs can generate proposed prefix options.

All new courses are still being developed

| Course prefix and number (include crosslistings) | Units | Title | Course Description | Prerequisites | Modes of delivery (online, in-person, hybrid) | Status* | Anticipated first term offered | Typically Offered (F, W, $\mathrm{Sp}, \mathrm{Su}$ ) | Dept signed party to proposal? (Yes/No) | Faculty members available to teach the courses |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| GAME 1** | 3 | Programing for Game <br> Development |  |  |  | D |  |  |  |  |
| GAME 2** | 3 | Game Development I |  |  |  | D |  |  |  |  |
| GAME 3** | 3 | Game Physics |  |  |  | D |  |  |  |  |
| GAME 3** | 3 | Monetizing Independent Gaming |  |  |  | D |  |  |  |  |
| GAME 4** | 3 | Artificial Intelligence in Games |  |  |  | D |  |  |  |  |

*In development (D); submitted for approval (S); approved (A)
Subject description for new prefix (if requested). Include your requested/preferred prefix, if any:

## GAME

Courses with the game prefix will focus on individual experiences with games and gaming, the design and development of games, virtual reality simulations for training and other purposes, as well as societal impacts of gamification across contexts and sectors.
VI. FACULTY INFORMATION- complete the table below. If UA Vitae link is not provided/available, attach a short CV (2-3 pages) to the end of the proposal or upload to the workflow form (in the "Letter(s) of Support" field). UA Vitae profiles can be found in the UA directory/phonebook. Add rows as needed. Delete the EXAMPLE rows before submitting/uploading. NOTE: full proposals are distributed campus-wide, posted on committee agendas and should be considered "publicly visible". Contact Pam Coonan and Martin Marquez if you have concerns about CV information being "publicly visible".

| Faculty Member | Involvement | UA Vitae link or "CV attached" |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Lila Bozgeyikli | Currently teaching ISTA/INFO <br> 424/524: Virtual Reality | https://ischool.arizona.edu/sites/ischool.arizona.edu/files/Lila-Bozgeyikli-CV.pdf |
| Ren Bozgeyikli | Currently teaching ISTA/INFO <br> 425/525: Algorithms for Games | $\underline{\text { https://ischool.arizona.edu/sites/ischool.arizona.edu/files/Ren-Bozgeyikli-CV.pdf }}$ |
| Drew Castalia | Currently teaching ISTA 251: <br> Intro to Game Design and <br> ISTA/INFO 451/551: Game <br> Development | $\underline{\text { http://www.hwstn.com/Resume.pdf }}$ |
| Catherine Brooks | Director of the School of <br> Information. Plans to teach a <br> future course centered around <br> Game Culture | $\underline{\text { https://ischool.arizona.edu/sites/ischool.arizona.edu/files/CV_Brooks_06172019.pdf }}$ |
| David Sherman | Currently teaching ESOC 340: <br> Info MM Design \& Moving <br> Images, ISTA 301: Computing <br> and the Arts, and ISTA 302: <br> Technology of Sound | https://ischool.arizona.edu/people/david-sherman |
| Other iSchool faculty as needed |  |  |

VII. FOUR-YEAR PLAN - provide a sample four-year degree plan that includes all requirements to graduate with this major and takes into consideration course offerings and sequencing. Refer to Degree Search for examples. Use generic title/placeholder for requirements with more than one course option (e.g. Upper Division Major Elective, Minor Course, Second Language, GE Tier 1, GE Tier 2). Add rows as needed.

| Semester 1 |  | Semester 2 |  | Semester 3 |  | Semester 4 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Course prefix and <br> number | Units | Course prefix and <br> number | Units | Course prefix and <br> number | Units | Course prefix and <br> number | Units |
| ISTA 130 <br> Computational <br> Thinking and Doing | 4 | GAME 1XX <br> Programming for <br> Game Development | 3 | ISTA 251 Introduction <br> to Game Design | 3 | GAME 2XX Game <br> Development I | 3 |
|  | ISTA 116 | 3 | ISTA 161 Ethics in a <br> Digital World | 3 | Elective | 3 |  |
| English 101 | 3 | English 102 | 3 | Language 101 | 4 | Tier II Arts | 3 |
| Indiv. \& Soc 150 | 3 | Indiv. \& Soc 150 | 3 | Natural Science 170 | 3 | Language 102 | 4 |
| Traditions \& Culture <br> 160 | 3 | Traditions \& Culture <br> 160 | 3 | Elective | 3 | Natural Science 170 | 3 |
| Total | 13 | Total | 15 | Total | 16 | Total | 16 |


| Semester 5 |  | Semester 6 |  | Semester 7 | Semester 8 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Course prefix and <br> number | Units | Course prefix and <br> number | Units | Course prefix and <br> number | Units | Course prefix and <br> number | Units |
| ISTA 451 Game <br> Development (will be <br> modified later and <br> moved to 3XX) | 3 | ISTA 416 Introduction <br> to Human Computer <br> Interaction | 3 | ISTA 498 Senior <br> Capstone | 3 | ESOC 480 Digital <br> Engagement | 3 |
| Elective | 3 | Upper Division Major <br> Elective | 3 | ISTA 425 Algorithms <br> for Games | 3 | Upper Division Major <br> Elective | 3 |
| Tier II: Individuals and <br> Society | 3 | Tier II Humanities | 3 | Upper Division <br> Minor | 3 | Upper Division Major <br> Minor | 3 |
| Minor | 3 | Upper Division Major <br> Elective | 3 | Upper Division <br> Minor | 3 | Elective | 3 |
| Minor | 3 | Elective | 3 | Elective | 3 | Elective | 15 |
| Total | 15 | Total | Total | 15 | Total | 3 |  |

VIII. STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES AND CURRICULUM MAP—describe what students should know, understand, and/or be able to do at the conclusion of this major. Work with Office of Instruction and Assessment to create a curricular map using Taskstream. Include your curricular map in this section (refer to Appendix C for sample Curriculum Map generated using Taskstream).

University of Arizona AMS
DEMO AREA

## BS Game Design and Development

Courses and Activities Mapped to BS Game Design and Development

| Outcome |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Outcome F1. 1 <br> Students will demonstrate understanding of the use of information and communication technologies and the implications of such use, for example: scientific and social uses of information, and social, cultural, and economic implications of digital life and culture. | Outcome F. 2 <br> Students will demonstrate facility using basic research methods, for example: research design; statistics and analysis; organization, identification, and location of data and information including open- and closed-access sources; and/or presentation of findings in oral, written and multimedia form, including proper use of and citation of sources. | Outcome F. 3 <br> Students will acquire the skills, <br> knowledge and selfunderstanding to communicate with and effectively work and interact across cultures and with diverse people and groups. | Outcome F1.4 <br> Students will demonstrate knowledge of career and further education options and opportunities open to them relative to their plan of study and will set goals and make plans beyond their expected graduation. | Outcome EV3.1 <br> Students will be able to recognize and analyze ethical and policy concerns raised by new technologies and will be able to apply ethical thinking to real world cases and craft effective solutions. | Outcome EV3.2 <br> Students will be able to identify and apply professional ethics and standards relevant to their career to aspirations. | Outcome: <br> Game One <br> Students will demonstrate knowledge of user's needs and rights, such as identifying target user groups for games, PR tools and platforms, analytics and metric tools, play testing and evaluation, monetization models, information protection, game related permissions on different platforms, ethical competence, professional ethics, quality steering, assurance, monitoring and social media utilization. | Outcome: Game Two Students will demonstrate the ability to design a game for various purposes, such as education, health and well-being, training and entertainment, by incorporating best-practices related to gamification in all stages, including challenges and fun factor, balancing, level design, scoring and progression, user interface, interaction mechanics, narration, functionality, usability and playability. | Outcome: <br> Game Three <br> Students will exhibit <br> understanding of and skills related to varied approaches, tools, systems, platforms, devices, processes and their effective utilization for game development that are wellestablished and currently used in the games industry. |


| Courses and Learning Activities |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| GAME 1XX <br> Class assignments <br> Programming for Game Development (3) | I |  |  | I | I | I | I | I | I |
| GAME 2XX <br> Class assignments <br> Game Development I (4) | I |  |  | I | I | I | 1/P | 1/P | 1/P |
| ESOC 302 <br> Class assignments <br> Quantitative Methods for the Digital Marketplace (3) |  | P/A | I | I | I | I |  |  |  |
| ISTA 130 <br> Class assignments <br> Computafional Thinking and Doing (4) | P | P/A | P | P | P | P |  | P |  |
| ISTA 161 Class assignments Ethics in a Digital World (3) | P/A |  | P/A |  | P/A | P/A |  |  |  |
| ISTA 251 <br> Class assignments <br> Introduction to Game Design (3) | P |  | P | P | 1/P | 1/P | 1/P | 1/P | 1/P |
| ISTA 416 <br> Class assignments <br> Introduction to Human Computar Interaction (3) | P | P |  | P | P/A | P/A | P/A | P/A | P/A |
| ISTA 425 <br> Class assignments <br> Algorithms for Games (3) | P | P |  |  | P | P | P | P | P |
| ISTA 451 <br> Class assignments <br> Game Development (will modify to GAME 3XX Dev. II latar)(4) | P/A | P/A |  |  | P/A | P/A | P/A | P/A | P/A |
| Program Outcome Assessment Activities |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Student Survey <br> Student Survey (Indirect) | A | A | A | A | A | A | A | A | A |
| ISTA 498 <br> Capstone-Direct | A | A | A | A | A | A | A | A | A |
| Legend : In |  | P | ticed |  | Ass |  | 1/P | rodu | ctices |

IX. ASSESSMENT PLAN FOR STUDENT LEARNING- using the table below, provide a schedule for program assessment of intended student learning outcomes 1) while students are in the program and 2) after completion of the major. Add rows as needed. Delete EXAMPLE row.

| Learning Outcomes | Sources(s) of Evidence | Assessment Measures | Data Collection Points |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Students will demonstrate understanding of the use of information and communication technologies and the implications of such use, for example: scientific and social uses of information and social, cultural and economic implications of the digital life and culture. | Course-embedded assessments <br> Pre-post student reflection essays; exit surveys; student focus group; alumni surveys | Exams, papers, and other forms of student work <br> Summative critical selfreflections | During each course, end of each course |
| Students will demonstrate facility using basic research methods, for example: research design, statistic and analysis; organization, identification, and location of data and information including open-and closed access sources; and/or presentation of findings in oral, written and multi-media form, including proper use of and citation of sources. | Course-embedded assessments <br> Pre-post student reflection essays; exit surveys; student focus group; alumni surveys | Exams, papers, and other forms of student work <br> Summative critical selfreflections | During each course, end of each course |
| Students will acquire the skills, knowledge and self-understanding to communicate with and effectively work and interact across cultures and with diverse people and groups. | Course-embedded assessments <br> Pre-post student reflection essays; exit surveys; student focus group; alumni surveys | Exams, papers, and other forms of student work <br> Summative critical selfreflections | During each course, end of each course |
| Students will demonstrate knowledge of career and further education options and opportunities open to them relative to their plan of study and will set goals and make | Course-embedded assessments | Exams, papers, and other forms of student work <br> Summative critical self- | During each course, end of each course |


| plans beyond their expected <br> graduation. | Pre-post student reflection <br> essays; exit surveys; student <br> focus group; alumni surveys | reflections |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Students will be able to recognize <br> and analyze ethical and policy <br> concerns raised by new technologies <br> and will be able to apply ethical <br> thinking to real world cases and craft <br> effective solutions. | Course-embedded <br> assessments <br> Pre-post student reflection <br> essays; exit surveys; student <br> focus group; alumni surveys | Summative critical self- <br> reflections <br> forms of student work | During each course, end of <br> each course |
| Students will be able to identify and <br> apply professional ethics and <br> standards relevant to their career <br> aspirations. | Course-embedded <br> assessments | Exams, papers, and other <br> forms of student work | During each course, end of <br> each course |
| Pre-post student reflection <br> essays; exit surveys; student <br> focus group; alumni surveys | Summative critical self- <br> reflections |  |  |
| Students will demonstrate <br> knowledge of users' needs and <br> rights, such as identifying target user <br> groups for games, PR tools and <br> platforms, analytics and metric tools, | Course-embedded <br> assessments | Pre-post student reflection <br> essays; exit surveys; student <br> play testing and evaluation, <br> monetization, models, information, <br> protection, game related permissions <br> focus group; alumni surveys <br> professiont ethical competence, | Sumers, and other <br> feflections <br> fassurance, monitoring and social <br> media utilization. |

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X. PROGRAM ASSESSMENT PLAN- using the table below, provide a schedule for program evaluation 1) while students are in the program and 2) after completion of the major. Add rows as needed. Delete EXAMPLE rows.

| Assessment Measure | Source(s) of Evidence | Data Collection Point(s) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Job placement statistics | Student/alumni surveys | At graduation and as part of alumni survey |
| Academic program review | Reviewers' responses | Every 7 years |
| Student interest | Enrollment numbers | Every year |
| The School's academic success | National ranking | Every year |

XI. ANTICIPATED STUDENT ENROLLMENT-complete the table below. What concrete evidence/data was used to arrive at the numbers?

| 5-YEAR PROJECTED ANNUAL ENROLLMENT |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $1^{\text {st }}$ Year | $2^{\text {nd }}$ Year | $3^{\text {rd }}$ Year | $4^{\text {th }}$ Year | $5^{\text {th }}$ Year |
| Number of <br> Students | 20 | 40 | 60 | 80 | 100 |

Data/evidence used to determine projected enrollment numbers:
We've looked at the enrollment data in colleges that offer similar degrees in Arizona and in the nearby region, and used an average of these numbers in our estimations. We've used the increasing trend in enrollment in our existing undergraduate degrees, while
projecting the enrollment numbers. The estimated enrollment numbers include both the new students and the existing students who would want to switch to the new program.
XII. ANTICIPATED DEGREES AWARDED- complete the table below, beginning with the first year in which degrees will be awarded. How did you arrive at these numbers? Take into consideration departmental retention rates. Use National Center for Education Statistics College Navigator to find program completion information of peer institutions offering the same or a similar program.

| PROJECTED DEGREES AWARDED ANNUALLY |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $1^{\text {st }}$ Year | $2^{\text {nd }}$ Year | $3^{\text {rd }}$ Year | $4^{\text {th }}$ Year | $5^{\text {th }}$ Year |
| Number of <br> Degrees | 3 | 21 | 42 | 50 | 55 |

Data/evidence used to determine number of anticipated degrees awarded annually:
We've looked at the program completion information data in colleges that offer similar degrees both in Arizona and in the nearby region. We also took into account the degree completion percentage in our existing programs and used a combination of these inputs in our estimations. For the third year, we are only expecting three degrees awarded, consisting of the students who changed majors and switched to the new program. For the fourth year, we are expecting degrees awarded to a high percentage of the students who enrolled the program in its first year, with an addition of the major changing students. The fifth year's estimated degree awarding includes the students who enrolled in the program in its second year and the major-changing students. We are expecting a high retention rate in the program, due to the high demand in the game-related courses we currently offer.
XIII. PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT TIMELINE- describe plans and timelines for 1) marketing the major and 2) student recruitment activities.

This program will be marketed alongside our other degree programs. As a School we invest in event sponsorships so that we can hand out flyers and other marketing materials, we attend conferences, and advertise in print outlets and on the radio
across Arizona. We plan to directly recruit students in and from locations like:

- GE courses where a wide variety of students are in attendance (e.g., ESOC 150b).
- non-GE courses that draw students from across that campus to the iSchool (e.g., ISTA 251 game design).
- Undergraduate on-campus fairs and recruiting events.
- UA events like the UA hackathon, or community events like TenWest.
XIV. DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION-describe how you will recruit diverse students and faculty to this program. In addition, describe retention efforts in place or being developed in order to retain students.

The iSchool's strong commitment to diversity will be maintained across the proposed new major. Student diversity in recruitment will be ensured through outreach activities targeting high schools serving underrepresented populations. During the recruitment process, the Curriculum and Instruction Committee will aim to maintain an increased diversity among the accepted students, while ensuring qualification quality of the students. Program information will be placed on the website, so that the prospective students easily see it. The University of Arizona's diversity initiatives on the campus will be made visible on the website as well, with links that direct prospective students to these resources, so that they become aware of an existing support network for diversity and inclusion. iSchool social media posts aiming to increase awareness about the proposed program will encourage diversity. High-school students will be invited to on-campus demo events, such as the School's iShowcase where enrolled students demonstrate their finished course projects, such as video games and applications. Voluntary outreach activities, such as game development workshops for AP Campus Visits, have been held at the iSchool. These activities will be continued, as they help in increasing diversity and inclusion, in addition to outreach. We believe the current diverse student population of the iSchool will also encourage diverse student populations to apply. The race breakdown in the previous semester was as follows: $53 \%$ white, $19 \%$ Hispanic, $8 \%$ international, $7 \%$ Asian, $5 \%$ two or more races $5 \%$, American Indian 1\%, less than 1\% unknown, less than $1 \%$ Pacific Islander. We give great importance to make our diverse student population visible in all possible outlets, such as website pictures, social media posts and outreach activities. The iSchool's Knowledge River program, which aims to increase and maintain diversity will be another important factor in supporting underrepresented students who are interested in studying the intersection of library sciences and games (e.g., using virtual reality in libraries). Lastly, the University of Arizona's existing mechanisms for supporting and increasing diversity in prospective students (e.g., campus tours, summer camps, workshops, Early Academic Outreach Program etc.) and in enrolled students (e.g., financial aid, academic assistance, community support, leadership skills development programs etc.) will help in increasing multiculturalism and diversity within the proposed program. With all of these mentioned efforts, equitable access to the program will be ensured for a diverse and qualified pool of candidates, such as ethnic minorities and
first generation and low-income students. Moreover, for the enrolled students, a nondiscriminatory and inclusive environment will always be maintained to provide support for students and increase their sense of belonging.
To ensure an inclusive climate, diversity will also be emphasized in hiring of new faculty. Existing faculty will be encouraged to use inclusive materials in their courses (e.g., photographs) and encourage their students to use inclusive materials in their coursework as well (e.g., game characters).
XV. ABOR REQUIREMENT: Proposed New Program Information

| Name of Proposed Academic Program: <br> Bachelor of Science in Game Design and Development <br> Academic Department: <br> School of Information <br> Geographic Site: <br> In-person classes will be taught at UA MAIN campus with the opportunity for online courses <br> Instructional Modality: <br> Fully in-person, fully online, and potentially hybrid courses <br> Total Credit Hours: <br> 120 <br> Proposed Inception Term: <br> Fall 2020 <br> Brief Program Description: <br> The Bachelor of Science in Game Design and Development will provide undergraduate <br> students with the design and development skills necessary to create virtual interactive <br> environments that span across devices and platforms. This game program would include <br> games for entertainment but also serious games and virtual reality simulations for training, <br> education, healthcare and other purposes. The degree will provide students with the real- <br> world skills and experience needed for successful game design and development; and will <br> signal to employers that students have dedicated the time and energy necessary to build |
| :--- |

fluency with the underlying concepts and tools. The degree will cover all aspects of game design and development. This would include conceptualization, market analysis, art design, technical design, implementation and marketing. The degree program will serve a diverse student population, training learners in artistic, technical and business aspects of games. The degree will require students to complete a set of core courses, yet also allow students to choose among a large set of electives in order to focus on their preferred areas of study (e.g., intensive programming, creative computing, and entrepreneurial aspects of game development). Students will apply the key theories and best practices they learned to practical game projects and refine their skills. Students will have multiple opportunities to produce finished games, both individually and team-based. The degree is intended for students who aspire to hold careers in the digital games industry or work independently on gaming. Students will have opportunities to participate in games research being conducted by UA faculty and game industry partners

## Learning Outcomes and Assessment Plan:

Students will demonstrate understanding of the use of information and communication technologies and the implications of such use, for example: scientific and social uses of information and social, cultural and economic implications of the digital life and culture.

Students will demonstrate facility using basic research methods, for example: research design, statistic and analysis; organization, identification, and location of data and information including open-and closed access sources; and/or presentation of findings in oral, written and multi-media form, including proper use of and citation of sources.

Students will acquire the skills, knowledge and self-understanding to communicate with and effectively work and interact across cultures and with diverse people and groups.

Students will demonstrate knowledge of career and further education options and opportunities open to them relative to their plan of study and will set goals and make plans beyond their expected graduation.

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Students will be able to identify and apply professional ethics and standards relevant to their career to aspirations.

Students will demonstrate knowledge of users' needs and rights, such as identifying target user groups for games, PR tools and platforms, analytics and metric tools, play testing and evaluation, monetization, models, information, protection, game related permissions on different ethical competence, professional ethics, quality steering, assurance, monitoring and social media utilization

Students will demonstrate the ability to design a game for various purposes, such as education, health and well-being, training and entertainment by incorporating best-practices related to gamification in all stages including challenges and fun factor, balancing, level design, scoring and progression, user interface, interaction mechanics, narration, functionality, usability and playability.

Students will exhibit understanding of and skills related to varied approaches, tools, systems, platforms, devices, processes and their effective utilization for game development that are well established and currently used in the games industry.

## Projected Enrollment for the First Three Years:

| 5-YEAR PROJECTED ANNUAL ENROLLMENT |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | $1^{\text {st }}$ Year | $2^{\text {nd }}$ Year | $3^{\text {rd }}$ Year | $4^{\text {th }}$ Year | $5^{\text {th }}$ Year |
| Number of <br> Students | 20 | 40 | 60 | 80 | 100 |

## Evidence of Market Demand:

The video game industry has been steadily growing in recent years. As the technology advances and new mediums, such as virtual and mixed reality arise, application areas of video games expand beyond entertainment, spanning areas from training and education to healthcare. A recent report (Video Games in the 21st Century) states the following facts: The
total direct employment by the U.S. game industry now exceeds 65,000 employees, growing at an annual rate of $2.9 \%$. The total employment in the U.S. that depends on the game software industry now exceeds 220,000 . Statistics reported the value of the video game market in the U.S. in 2017 as $\$ 18.4 \mathrm{Bn}$. Video games constitute a major industry not only in the U.S., but also in the world. In a recent report (by the games and eSports analytics company NewZoo), global games market is estimated to grow to $\$ 143.5 \mathrm{Bn}$ in 2020. Hence, creating degrees and education opportunities relating to gaming, gamification, implications of emerging eSports, and societal impact of these trends is paramount for students to have strong educational choices on higher education.

For graduates, there are several employment opportunities in a wide-array of job roles, such as game designer, game programmer, game analyst, network specialist, user interface(UI) developer, art director, lead game artist, modeler, animator, quality assurance specialist, audio programmer, user experience researcher, cloud architect, level designer, content creator, user experience analyst, UI designer, producer and artificial intelligence programmer. Moreover, there are several opportunities for entrepreneurially-minded students in independent careers that offer significant income opportunities (e.g., streaming gameplay on Twitch, which has more than 15M unique daily visitors; participating in eSports, where players can make up to $\$ 2 \mathrm{M}$ by playing games competitively; publishing independent games such as Minecraft, which can lead to big success and significant revenues). This degree will provide students a broad understanding of individual and societal impacts of these trends.

One of the tools that the interest for the proposed major was gauged was the interest in the currently offered game courses at the iSchool - our current courses relating to games are consistently full. In the State of Arizona, there are four game-related programs according to the data from the National Center for Education Statistics: (1) Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University-Prescott, which hasn't awarded any degrees yet, as the program was opened in 2017; (2) The Art Institute of Phoenix, which awarded 18 Bachelor's Degrees in 2017; (3) Yavapai College, awarded 3 certificates in 2017; (4) Pima Community College, which awarded 10 Associate Degrees in 2017. The community colleges in Arizona can be feeders to the proposed program. As a more established game program in the area, the University of Southern California's game program awarded 50 degrees in 2017.

## Similar Programs Offered at Arizona Public Universities:

Digital Culture (Art and Design Sciences), BA

| Arizona State University |  |  |
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| New Resources Required? (i.e. faculty and administrative positions; infrastructure, etc.): <br> This degree is structured to use existing faculty and administration members. |  |  |
| Program Fee/Differentiated Tuition Required? Amount: <br> Program Fee Justification: | $\text { YES } \square \text { NO } \square$ | Estimated |
| Specialized Accreditation? $\qquad$ NO <br> Accreditor: |  |  |

Appendix A. Minor Requirements. Complete if requesting a corresponding minor.

| Total units required to complete minor | 18 |
| :--- | :---: |
| Upper-division units required | 9 |
| Total transfer units that may apply to <br> minor | 9 |
| List any special requirements to <br> declare/admission to this minor <br> (completion of specific coursework, <br> minimum GPA, interview, application, <br> etc.) | none |


| Minor requirements (list all required coursework including core and electives). Courses listed must include course prefix, number, units, and title. Mark new coursework (New). Include any limits/restrictions needed (house number limit, etc.). Provide email(s)/letter(s) of support from home department head(s) for courses not owned by your department. | GAME 1XX Programming for Game Dev. (3) GAME 2XX Game Development I (3) ISTA 251 Introduction to Game Design (3) <br> 9 additional upper division units of GAME coursework. Chosen from: <br> GAME 3XX Game Physics GAME 3XX Gamification in Society GAME 3XX Monetizing Independent Gaming GAME 4XX Artificial Intelligence in Games |
| :---: | :---: |
| Internship, practicum, applied course requirements (yes/no). If yes, provide description. | no |
| Additional requirements (provide description) | no |
| Any double-dipping restrictions? (Yes/No. If yes, provide description) | Yes, Students majoring in the new games BA will not be able to minor in this degree. |

Appendix A. Enrollment Trends for the gaming-related courses

| Term | Campus | Session | Subject | Cat \# | Section | Course | Total Enroll | Max <br> Enroll | \% Enroll | Instructor |
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| Spring 2017 | MAIN | Regular <br> Academic <br> Session | ISTA | 251 | 001 | Introduction <br> to Game <br> Design | 39 | 40 | 97.5\% | Giannone,Angelia R |
| Fall 2017 | MAIN | Regular <br> Academic <br> Session | ISTA | 251 | 001 | Introduction <br> to Game <br> Design | 24 | 26 | 92.3\% | Castalia,Drew |
| Spring 2018 | MAIN | Regular <br> Academic <br> Session | ISTA | 251 | 001 | Introduction to Game Design | 29 | 30 | 96.7\% | Castalia,Drew |
|  | MAIN | Regular <br> Academic <br> Session | ISTA | 251 | 002 | Introduction to Game Design | 29 | 30 | 96.7\% | Castalia,Drew |
|  | MAIN | Regular <br> Academic <br> Session | ISTA | 451 | 001 | Game <br> Development | 24 | 30 | 80.0\% | Bozgeyikli,Evren |
|  | MAIN | Regular <br> Academic <br> Session | ISTA | 251 | 002 | Introduction to Game Design | 27 | 30 | 90.0\% | Castalia,Drew |
|  | MAIN | Regular <br> Academic <br> Session | ISTA | 424 | 001 | Virtual Reality | 19 | 25 | 76.0\% | Bozgeyikli,Lal |
|  | MAIN | Regular <br> Academic <br> Session | ISTA | 424 | 002 | Virtual Reality | 23 | 25 | 92.0\% | Bozgeyikli,Lal |
|  | MAIN | Regular <br> Academic <br> Session | ISTA | 451 | 001 | Game <br> Development | 23 | 20 | 115.0\% | Castalia,Drew |
| Spring 2019 | MAIN | Regular <br> Academic <br> Session | ISTA | 251 | 001 | Introduction to Game Design | 29 | 30 | 96.7\% | Castalia,Drew |
|  | MAIN | Regular <br> Academic <br> Session | ISTA | 251 | 002 | Introduction to Game Design | 22 | 30 | 73.3\% | Castalia,Drew |
|  | MAIN | Regular <br> Academic <br> Session | ISTA | 424 | 002 | Virtual Reality | 23 | 20 | 115.0\% | Bozgeyikli,Lal |
|  | MAIN | Regular <br> Academic <br> Session | ISTA | 451 | 002 | Game <br> Development | 27 | 30 | 90.0\% | Castalia,Drew |
|  | MAIN | Regular <br> Academic <br> Session | ISTA | 251 | 002 | Introduction to Game Design | 22 | 30 | 73.3\% | Castalia,Drew |
|  | MAIN | Regular <br> Academic <br> Session | ISTA | 451 | 001 | Game <br> Development | 27 | 35 | 77.1\% | Castalia,Drew |
|  | MAIN | Regular <br> Academic <br> Session | ISTA | 451 | 002 | Game <br> Development | 23 | 25 | 92.0\% | Castalia,Drew |

## Appendix B: Results from survey of iSchool students showing existing interest in a Gaming BA and BS.

|  | Column Labels |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | Neither Agree nor Disagree (3) | Somewhat Agree (2) | Somewhat Disagree (4) | Strongly Agree (1) | Strongly Disagree (5) | Grand Total |
| Count of If there had been a BS in Game Design and Development Major/Minor when I entered UA, I would have considered earning the degree. | 6 | 19 | 3 | 74 | 9 | 111 |
|  | 5\% | 17\% | 3\% | 67\% | 8\% |  |


|  | Column Labels Definitely Not (5) | Definitely Yes (1) | Might or Might Not (3) | Probably Not (4) | Probably Yes (2) | Grand Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Count of If either of these degrees had been available when I entered UA, I would have considered a double major or dual degree in the BA or BS | 7 | 50 | 13 | 6 | 34 | 110 |
|  | 6\% | 45\% | 12\% | 5\% | 31\% |  |

## Appendix C. Major Enrollment Trends for the Degrees Offered by the School of Information

## Major Enrollment Trends



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## Appendix D: Signed Memo about the new GAME subject

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August 26, 2019

To: Pam Coonan, Executive Director, Academic \& Curricular Affairs

From: Catherine Brooks, Director, School of Information (iSchool) Amy C. Kimme Hea, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Student Success College of Social and Behavioral Sciences

Dear Pam:

To begin, we would like to provide students a new prefix (GAME) for the following courses under development:
GAME 1XX Programming for Game Dev. (3)
GAME 2XX Games, Behavior, and Individuals (3)
GAME 2XX Game Development I (4)
GAME 3XX Game Physics (3)
GAME 3XX Gamification in Society (3)
GAME 3XX Monetizing Independent Gaming (3)
GAME 4XX Artificial Intelligence in Games (3)
Courses with the game prefix will focus on individual experiences with games and gaming, the design and development of games, virtual reality simulations for training and other purposes, as well as societal impacts of gamification across contexts and sectors. We expect additional game courses will be developed over time.

For students, the GAME prefix will make the classes easy to find and distinct from School of Information's other courses. This prefix will help students locate the classes much like FOOD prefix has done for the BA and BS degrees shared with CALS. Thank you for your consideration of this new path for future learners at the University of Arizona.


Undergraduate Major Peer Comparison Chart - select two peers for completing the comparison chart from (in order of priority) ABOR-approved institutions, AAU members, and/or other relevant institutions recognized in the field. The comparison chart will be used to identify typically required coursework, themes, and experiences for majors within the discipline. The comparison programs are not required to have the same degree type and/or major name as the proposed UA program. Information for the proposed UA program must be consistent throughout the proposal documents. Delete EXAMPLE columns once ready to submit/upload.

| $\begin{array}{l}\text { Program name, emphasis } \\ \text { (sub-plan) name (if } \\ \text { applicable), degree, and } \\ \text { institution }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{l}\text { Proposed UA Program: } \\ \text { Game Design and } \\ \text { Development, BS }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{l}\text { Peer 1: } \\ \text { Digital Culture (Media Processing), BS, Arizona State }\end{array}$ | University |
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|  | development; and will signal to employers that students have dedicated the time and energy necessary to build fluency with the underlying concepts and tools. The degree will cover all aspects of game design and development. This would include conceptualization, market analysis, art design, technical design, implementation and marketing. The degree program will serve a diverse student population, training learners in artistic, technical and business aspects of games. The degree will require students to complete a set of core courses, yet also allow students to choose among a large set of electives in order to focus on their preferred areas of study (e.g., intensive programming, creative computing, and entrepreneurial aspects of game development). Students will apply the key theories and best practices they learned to practical game projects and refine their skills. Students will have multiple opportunities to produce finished games, |
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|  | both individually and team- <br> based. The degree is <br> intended for students who <br> aspire to hold careers in the <br> digital games industry or <br> work independently on <br> gaming. There will be <br> ongoing opportunities to <br> participate in research into <br> games being conducted by <br> faculty across campus and <br> by industrial partners. |  |  |
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| major (completion of specific coursework, minimum GPA, interview, application, etc.) |  | 3.00, the student will be placed on a probationary status for one term. If the student is not successful in raising their Digital Culture GPA to a 3.00 after the probationary term, the student will not be able to continue in the Digital Culture program. |  |
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| Major requirements |  |  |  |
| Minimum \# of units required in the major (units counting towards major units and major GPA) | 51 |  |  |
| Minimum \# of upperdivision units required in the major (upper division units counting towards major GPA) | 31 | 45 |  |
| Minimum \# of residency units to be completed in the major | 18 | 56 |  |
| Required supporting coursework (courses that do not count towards major units and major GPA, but are required for the major). Courses listed must include prefix, number, units, and title. Include any limits/restrictions needed (house number limit, etc.). Provide email(s)/letter(s) of support from home department head(s) for | Required courses: Math 113 , or Math 116, and ISTA $116$ | Term 1: <br> ENG 101 or ENG 102 First-Year Composition OR ENG 105 <br> Advanced First-Year Composition OR ENG 107 or 108 <br> First-Year Composition, 3 units <br> MAT 210 Brief Calculus, 3 units <br> Term 2: <br> ENG 101 or ENG 102: First-Year Composition OR ENG 105 <br> Advanced First-Year Composition OR ENG 107 or 108 <br> First-Year Composition, 3 units <br> Social-Behavioral Sciences AND Cultural Diversity in the U.S., 3 units <br> Term 3: <br> Humanities, Arts and Design AND Global Awareness, 3 units |  |


| courses not owned by your department. |  | Natural Science-Quantitative (PHY 101 Recommended), 4 units <br> Social-Behavioral Sciences, 3 units <br> Term 4: <br> MAT 243 Discrete Mathematical Structures, 3 units Humanities, Arts and Design AND Historical Awareness, 3 units <br> Elective, 3 units <br> Term 5: <br> Upper Division Digital Culture Studies, 6 units <br> Upper Division Media Processing Elective, 3 units <br> Natural Science-Quantitative OR Natural Science-General, 4 units <br> Term 6: <br> Complete 2 courses: <br> Upper Division Digital Cultures Studies, 6 units <br> Complete 2 courses: <br> Upper Division Media Processing Elective, 6 units <br> Upper Division Literacy and Critical Inquiry, 3 units <br> Term 7: <br> Upper Division Digital Culture Studies, 3 units <br> Upper Division Media Engineering, 3 units <br> Upper Division Media Processing Elective, 3 units <br> Upper Division Humanities, Arts and Design OR Upper <br> Division Social-Behavioral Sciences, 3 units <br> Term 8: <br> Upper Division Digital Culture Studies, 3 units Upper Division Media Processing Elective, 3 units Elective, 3 units |
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| Major requirements. List all major requirements including core and electives. If applicable, list the emphasis requirements for each proposed emphasis. Courses listed count towards major units and major GPA. Courses listed must include prefix, number, units, and title. Mark new coursework (New). Include any limits/restrictions needed (house number limit, etc.). Provide email(s)/letter(s) of support from home department head(s) for courses not owned by your department. | Core Courses/Required Major Coursework (33 units) <br> GAME 1XX Programming for Game Dev. (3) <br> GAME 2XX Game Development I (4) <br> ESOC 302 <br> Quantitative Methods for the Digital Marketplace (3) <br> ESOC 314 Theories of New Media (3) <br> ISTA 130 <br> Computational Thinking and Doing (4) <br> ISTA 161 Ethics in a <br> Digital World (3) <br> ISTA 251 <br> Introduction to Game <br> Design (3) <br> ISTA 416 <br> Introduction to Human <br> Computer Interaction (3) <br> ISTA 425 <br> Algorithms for Games (3) <br> ISTA 451 Game <br> Development (4) <br> Individual/Capstone <br> Required Coursework <br> (6 upper division units) <br> Internship, Directed <br> Research, Individual or Independent Study (3) along with the ISTA 498 Capstone req.(3). | Term 1: <br> AME 111 Introduction to Digital Culture, 3 units AME 101 ASU Digital Culture Experience, 3 units Complete 2 courses: <br> AME 112 Computational Thinking for Digital Culture OR AME 130 Prototyping Dreams OR AME 210 Media Editing OR AME 230 Programming for the Media Arts, 6 units <br> Term 2: <br> AME 112 Computational Thinking for Digital Culture OR AME 130 Prototyping Dreams OR AME 210 Media Editing OR AME 230 Programming for the Media Arts, 3 units CSE 110 Principles of Programming, 3 units <br> Term 3: <br> CPI 111 Game Development I, 3 units <br> CSE 205 Object-Oriented Programming and Data <br> Structures, 3 units <br> Digital Culture Studies, 3 units <br> Term 4: <br> Digital Culture Studies, 3 units <br> CPI 211 Game Development II OR CSE 240 Introduction to Programming Languages, 3 units <br> Term 5: <br> Upper Division Digital Culture Studies, 6 units <br> CPI 360 Decision Making and Problem Solving OR CSE 310 <br> Data Structures and Algorithms OR CPI Game Engine <br> Development, 3 units <br> Term 6: <br> Complete 2 courses: <br> Upper Division Digital Cultures Studies, 6 units <br> Complete 2 courses: <br> Upper Division Media Processing Elective, 6 units <br> Upper Division Literacy and Critical Inquiry, 3 units |
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|  | ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE <br> TRACK (12 Units) <br> - ISTA 450 Artificial <br> Intelligence (3) <br> - (New) GAME 4XX Artificial Intelligence in Games (3) <br> - ISTA 421 Introduction to Machine Learning (3) <br> - ISTA 457 Neural Networks <br> (3) <br> ART OF GAMES TRACK (12 Units) <br> - ISTA 301 Computing and the Arts (3) <br> - ISTA 302 Technology of Sound (3) <br> - ISTA 303 Introduction to Creative Coding (3) <br> - ISTA 403 Advanced Creative Coding (3) <br> - ESOC 300 Digital <br> Storytelling and Culture (3) <br> - ESOC 340 Information, <br> Multimedia Design \& the <br> Moving Image (3) |  |  |
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| Internship, practicum, applied course requirements (Yes/No). If yes, provide description. | Individual/Capstone Required Coursework (6 upper division units) INFO 493 Internship, INFO 492 Directed Research, INFO 499 Individual or Independent Study (3) along with ISTA 498 Senior Capstone (3) | tional: Structured practical experience following a ntract or plan, supervised by faculty and practitioners. |  |


| Senior thesis or senior <br> project required (Yes/No). <br> If yes, provide description. | No | Capstone: Senior capstone projects in digital culture are <br> interdisciplinary team projects that offer experience in <br> diverse collaborations for solving complex problems, a <br> proficiency widely demanded by employers. Students <br> integrate, extend and apply information, principles, <br> theories and/or methods learned in previous courses <br> while supervised by the instructor. |  |
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| Additional requirements <br> (provide description) | None | Optional Global Experience Opportunity: Additionally, The <br> School of Arts, Media and Engineering also offers a <br> summer study abroad to the Netherlands. Interested <br> parties (regardless of major) should explore the program <br> Design and Society in the Netherlands: Visualizing the <br> Invisible on the study abroad website: <br> http://links.asu.edu/Visualizingthelnvisible. |  |
| Minor (specify if optional <br> or required) | Optional | No requirements listed. |  |

*Note: comparison of additional relevant programs may be requested.

# Undergraduate Major Peer Comparison Chart-delete EXAMPLE columns once ready to submit/upload. Find UA peers here: 

https://www.azregents.edu/arizonas-public-universities/peer-institutions

| Program name, sub-plan name (if applicable), degree, and institution | Proposed UA Program: | Peer 1: <br> Computer Game Science, Bachelor of Science, Univ. of California, Irvine | Peer 2: <br> Game Design and Development, Bachelor of Science, Rochester Institute of Technology |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Current \# of enrolled students |  | ?? | ?? |
| Major <br> Description - <br> provide a <br> description for <br> the proposed <br> program. Include <br> the purpose, <br> nature, and <br> program <br> highlights. <br> Description must <br> be consistent <br> throughout the <br> proposal <br> documents and <br> match <br> departmental <br> and college <br> websites, <br> handouts, and <br> promotional <br> materials. | The Bachelor of Science in Game Design and Development will provide undergraduate students with the design and development skills necessary to create virtual interactive environments that span across devices and platforms. This game program would include games for entertainment but also serious games and virtual reality simulations for training, education, healthcare and other purposes. The degree will provide students with the real-world skills and experience needed for successful game design and development; and will signal to employers that students have dedicated the time and energy necessary to build fluency with the underlying concepts and tools. The degree will cover all aspects of game design and development. This would include conceptualization, market analysis, art design, technical design, implementation and marketing. The degree program will serve a diverse student population, training learners in artistic, technical and business aspects of games. The degree will require students to complete a set of core courses, | From: <br> https://www.ics.uci.edu/ugrad/degrees/degree_cgs.p hp <br> The B.S. in computer game science is designed around a set of core courses that introduce the fundamentals of computer science (programming, data structures, graphics and artificial intelligence), math (statistics, linear algebra and logic), and games (games and society, game design, game engines and multiplayer games). From there, nearly thirty electives offer students the chance to specialize, focusing anywhere from typical game topics such as modeling, world building and mobile games to more peripheral topics such as software design and social impacts. <br> Throughout the major, students gain hands-on experience in creating a variety of digital games, for entertainment purposes, but also for education, training and engendering social change. Working in teams, you will employ a variety of different programming languages, game platforms and hardware. This culminates in the two-quarter capstone course, in which you will be part of a team that designs and implements a new game from scratch | From: https://www.rit.edu/programs/game-design-and-development-bs <br> With an emphasis on game programming, the major exposes students to a breadth of development and design processes. Students complete a core of required course work and then pursue advanced studies that can be customized to individual interests and career goals. Students can further specialize their major by taking electives in areas such as game design, production, engines and systems, graphics programming and animation, mobile, web, audio, and more. This depth of course work also enables students to build a robust portfolio of games and other interactive projects. <br> Cooperative education is full-time, paid work experience that provides students with an opportunity to learn on the job in real-world industry setting-a definite edge when applying for jobs after graduation. Students are required to complete two blocks of co-op, which may start after their second year of study. Although students usually complete co-ops during the summer term, they may also be completed during the academic year. |


|  | yet also allow students to choose among a large set of electives in order to focus on their preferred areas of study (e.g., intensive programming, creative computing, and entrepreneurial aspects of game development). Students will apply the key theories and best practices they learned to practical game projects and refine their skills. Students will have multiple opportunities to produce finished games, both individually and team-based. The degree is intended for students who aspire to hold careers in the digital games industry or work independently on gaming. There will be ongoing opportunities to participate in research into games being conducted by faculty across campus and by industrial partners. | under the supervision of game designers from the local industry. <br> Overall, the major strongly emphasizes the technical aspects of creating games, as well as working in teams to design and implement them. You will be prepared to adapt to what are the always-changing circumstances of the profession - whether it is a new game platform, newly emerging game mechanics, or new ways of earning revenue. |  |
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| Target careers | There are several employment opportunities in a wide-array of job roles, such as game designer, game programmer, game analyst, network specialist, user interface developer, art director, lead game artist, modeler, animator, quality assurance specialist, audio programmer, user experience researcher, cloud architect, level designer, content creator, user experience analyst, UI designer, producer and artificial intelligence programmer. | Because of the strong technical underpinnings of the degree program, demand for our computer game science majors is strong. The majority find employment in the industry, whether at a major publisher, smaller studio or as self-employed freelancers. Many squarely focus on entertainment, others succeed in bringing their skills to the design and development of serious games in a variety of domains, including healthcare and education. <br> Of course, graduate school in game design, interactive media, computer science, informatics or related field is a career path that a portion of our students also choose to take after they complete the major. | The game design and development major allo/ws students to explore the entertainment technology landscape and related areas, while still pursuing a broadbased university education. The degree is intended specifically for students who aspire to hold careers within the professional games industry or a related field, such as simulation, edutainment, or visualization. This degree also provides students with a core computing education that prepares them for graduate study or employment in a number of computing fields. |
| Total units required to complete degree | 120 | 180 | 124 |


| Upper-division units required to complete degree | 51 | 64 $\frac{\text { http://catalogue.uci.edu }}{}$ /donaldbrenschoolofinformationandcomputersciences /\#undergraduatetext | 62 |
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| Foundation courses |  |  |  |
| English composition |  | Two lower-division plus one upper-division course (12 units total) | RIT required all students to complete three Writing Intensive (WI) courses. The courses come from the degree program (IGME 236), the First Year Writing Program (UWRT 150 or ENGL 150 or ISTE 110), and one General Education Writing Intensive (GE-WI) course or one Program Writing Intensive (PR-WI) course. |
| Second language | 2nd Semester Proficiency | One course (4 units) | - |
| Math | Moderate Strand | MATH 2A Single-Variable Calculus <br> MATH 2B Single-Variable Calculus <br> And <br> I\&C SCI 6N Computational Linear Algebra or MATH 3A Introduction to Linear Algebra | GAMEDES-BS students are required to complete a minimum three-course math sequence. The score on the Math Placement Exam (MPE) determines the first course in the math sequence, though typically it will be MATH 131. Students can opt to take MATH 171, MATH 181A, or MATH 181 in the fall of their second year. Placement in MATH 171, MATH 181A, or MATH 181 is determined by the MPE score. |
| General education requirements | Tier I <br> Two 150s <br> Two 160s <br> Two 170s <br> Tier II <br> One Tier II Arts <br> One Tier II Humanities <br> One Tier II Individuals and Societies | http://catalogue.uci.edu/informationforadmittedstud ents/ <br> requirementsforabachelorsdegree/ <br> The general education requirement is a graduation requirement and, with the exception of the lowerdivision writing requirement, need not be satisfied during only the lower-division years. To satisfy the general education requirement, courses are required in each of the following categories: <br> I. Writing (two lower-division plus one upper-division course) <br> II. Science and Technology (three courses) <br> III. Social and Behavioral Sciences (three courses) <br> IV. Arts and Humanities (three courses) <br> V. Quantitative, Symbolic, and Computational Reasoning, with subcategories Va and Vb (three courses that may also satisfy another GE category) | https://www.rit.edu/gccis/igm/sites/rit.edu.gccis.igm/file s/images/gdd-handbook-ay2018-2019.pdf <br> The 124 credits that students need to graduate are as follows: <br> - 41 credits of GDD Core Courses <br> - 12 credits of IGM Advanced Electives <br> - 3 credits of First Year Writing <br> - 15 credits of Arts \& Sciences Perspectives <br> - 9 credits of Immersion Experience <br> - 15 credits of General Education Electives <br> - 14-15 credits of Math and Science <br> - 15 credits of Free Electives <br> - 1 Co-op Preparation Workshop, non-credit bearing <br> - 2 different Wellness or Activity courses are also required, but they are non-credit bearing <br> - YearOne, non-credit bearing |


|  |  | VI. Language Other Than English (one course) <br> VII. Multicultural Studies (one course that may also satisfy another GE category) <br> VIII. International/Global Issues (one course that may also satisfy another GE category) | - 2 Co-operative Education experiences, non-credit bearing <br> - 3 Writing Intensive courses (First Year Writing (FYW), a program course (IGME-236), and a third course of your choosing) |
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| Pre-major? <br> (Yes/No. If yes, provide <br> requirements.) <br> Provide <br> email(s)/letter(s) <br> of support from home <br> department <br> head(s) for <br> courses not <br> owned by your <br> department. | No | No | No |
| List any special requirements to declare or gain admission to this major (completion of specific coursework, minimum GPA, interview, application, etc.) | None | None | For all bachelor's degree programs, a strong performance in a college preparatory program is expected. Generally, this includes 4 years of English, 3-4 years of mathematics, 2-3 years of science, and 3 years of social studies and/or history. <br> Specific math and science requirements and other recommendations: <br> 4 years of math including pre-calculus required <br> Requires chemistry or physics and strongly recommends both. <br> Computing electives are recommended <br> SAT (EBRW+M): 1280-1450 <br> ACT Composite: 29-34 |
| Major requirements |  |  |  |
| Minimum \# of units required in major (units | 51 | 124 | 124 |


| counting <br> towards major <br> units and major <br> GPA) |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Minimum \# of <br> upper-division <br> units required in <br> the major (upper <br> division units <br> counting <br> towards major <br> GPA) |  |  |  |
| Minimum \# of <br> residency units <br> to be completed <br> in the major |  |  |  |
| Required <br> supporting <br> coursework <br> (courses that do <br> not count <br> towards major <br> units and major <br> GPA, but are <br> required for the <br> major). Courses <br> listed must <br> include subject <br> code, units, and <br> title. Provide <br> email(s)/letter(s) <br> of support from <br> home <br> department <br> head(s) for <br> courses not <br> owned by your <br> department. |  | Required courses: Math 113, or Math 116, | None |
| and ISTA 116 |  |  |  |$\quad$|  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |




|  |  |  | IGME-550 Foundations of Game Engine Design and <br> Development  <br> IGME-560 Artificial Intelligence for Game <br> Environments  <br> IGME-570 Digital Audio Production <br> IGME-571 Interactive Game Audio <br> IGME-580 IGM Production Studio <br> IGME-581 Innovation and Invention <br> IGME-582 Humanitarian Free and Open Source <br> Software Development  <br> IGME-583 Legal/Business Aspects of FOSS <br> IGME-584 Linux Software Development <br> IGME-585 Project in FOSS Development <br> IGME-589 Research Studio <br> IGME-590 Undergraduate Seminar in IGM <br> IGME-599 Independent Study |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Internship, practicum, applied course requirements (Yes/No. If yes, provide description) | Individual/Capstone Required Coursework (6 upper division units) <br> INFO 493 Internship, INFO 492 Directed Research, <br> INFO 499 Individual or Independent Study <br> (3) along with ISTA 498 Senior Capstone (3) |  | The IGM Bach Development fulfill your co- <br> Co-op is short following bene <br> - Gain <br> - All co <br> - The exp posit <br> - Allow their | r of Science degrees in Game Design \& quires two semesters of full-time work to requirements. <br> co-operative education which has the s: <br> life career experience <br> ps are compensated erience gained will assist with full-time <br> e opportunity for students to define reer paths |
| Senior thesis or senior project required (Yes/No. If yes, provide description) | No | I\&C SCI 169A\&B. Capstone Game Project I\&II. 8 Units. <br> Students work in teams to design and implement a new computer game or virtual world. Emphasis on sound, art, and level design, building a community, cut | No |  |


|  |  | scenes, production values, full utilization of hardware <br> and software platform, and current industry trends. |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Additional <br> requirements <br> (provide <br> description) | None |  |  |
| Minor (specify if <br> optional or <br> required) | Optional | optional | Optional |

*Note: comparison of additional relevant programs may be requested.

Comparison Chart-UA Game Proposals

| Program name, emphasis (subplan) name (if applicable), degree, and institution | BS Game Design and Development (in INFO) | BA Games and Behavior (in INFO) | Game Studies emphasis, BA in Applied Humanities |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Current \# of enrolled students | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Major <br> Description. Includes the purpose, nature, and highlights of the curriculum, faculty expertise, emphases (subplans; if any), etc. | The Bachelor of Science in Game Design and Development will provide undergraduate students with the design and development skills necessary to create virtual interactive environments that span across devices and platforms. This game program would include games for entertainment but also serious games and virtual reality simulations for training, education, healthcare and other purposes. The degree will provide students with the realworld skills and experience needed for successful game design and development; and will signal to employers that students have dedicated the time and energy necessary to build fluency with the underlying concepts and tools. The degree will cover all aspects of game design and development. This would include conceptualization, market analysis, art design, technical design, implementation and marketing. The degree program will serve a diverse student population, training learners in artistic, technical and business aspects of games. The degree will require | The Bachelor of Arts in Games and Behavior will provide students with a broad understanding of important design principles and human behavior in serious and recreational games, but also the implications tied to gamification in society. Students will learn the basics of multimedia, storytelling, and sound technologies. This degree will also include courses that focus on the individual (e.g., psychology of simulations and play) and also courses that consider group or societal trends (e.g., inequality in the game and in the development environment; psychology of play in game communities). Issues of artistic game design alongside behavioral and societal trends related to games and gamification across sectors are the focus of this degree (e.g., education, health management, occupational training, social support, recreation). The degree will cover many aspects of game design and related social and societal factors without the need of extensive knowledge of computer programming. | The proposed Game Studies emphasis in the BA in Applied Humanities will concentrate on what is widely known as "Game Studies," that is, the study of games as distinct from the technical context of designing and making them. The emphasis will include the following focus areas: <br> - Critical approaches to understanding games and the game industry (e.g., techniques for understanding the relationship between a game's technical design and the socio-cultural milieu out of which it arose); <br> - Studies of the cultures surrounding games (e.g., cosplay, pro-gaming, fan crafts); <br> - Studies of the industry itself (e.g., corporate trajectories, mergers, and collapses; shifting monetization structures); <br> - Cultural studies of game content (e.g., analyses of gender, race, and age representation in games); <br> - Studies of game narratives (e.g., how games tell stories); |



| Methodology | Programming, logic, linear <br> algebra, discrete <br> mathematics, trigonometry | Design, prototyping, <br> qualitative and quantitative <br> social research methods. | Humanities-based <br> approaches to the game <br> medium, its industry, and <br> the cultures that inform <br> and are informed by |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| them. |  |  |  |


|  | Game Three: for the BS only <br> Students will exhibit understanding of and skills related to varied approaches, tools, systems, platforms, devices, processes and their effective utilization for game development that are well-established and currently used in the games industry. | Game Three: for the BA only <br> Students will exhibit understanding of human behavior in serious and recreational games, the impact of gaming on individuals across contexts, and the implications tied to gamification in society. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Target careers | Game Developer Graphic Designer Animation Specialist Sound Technologist Software Developers. Computer and Information Research Scientists Computer Programmer Software Developer | Game Designer <br> Social Worker <br> Educator <br> Occupational Therapist eSport Behavior/Planner Computer and Information Research Scientists Game Event Planner Game-based Trainer Instructional Designer Game Coach | - Reviewing (print/online) <br> - Marketing and promotion <br> - Public relations <br> - Legal services <br> - Financial services <br> - Quality assurance <br> - Retail <br> - Museums/archives <br> - Producing <br> - Localization/translation <br> - Adaptation <br> - Technical support |
| Total units required to complete the degree | 120 | 120 | 120 |
| Upper-division units required to complete the degree | 51 | 24 | 42 |
| Foundation courses |  |  |  |
| English Composition | English 101 and 102 | English 101 and 102 | UA Foundations Composition |
| Math | Moderate Strand | Moderate Strand | UA Foundations G-strand math |
| Second Language | 2nd Semester Proficiency | $4^{\text {th }}$ Semester Proficiency | 4th semester proficiency |


| General Education |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{array}{r} \text { Tier I GE } \\ \text { Requirements } \\ (150,160,170) \end{array}$ | Tier I <br> Two 150s <br> Two 160s <br> Two 170s | Tier I <br> Two 150s <br> Two 160s <br> Two 170s | 18 units Tier One (6 each 150, 160, 170) |
| Tier II GE Requirements (Arts, HUMS, INDV, NATS) | One Tier II Arts One Tier II Humanities One Tier II Individuals and Societies | One Tier II Arts One Tier II Humanities One Tier II Natural Sciences | 9 units Tier Two (3 each Individuals \& Societies, Natural Science, Arts) |
| Pre-major? (Yes/No). If yes, provide requirements. Provide email(s)/letter(s ) of support from home department head(s) for courses not owned by your department. | No | No | No |
| List any special requirements to declare or gain admission to this major (completion of specific coursework, minimum GPA, interview, application, etc.) | None | None | None |
| Major requirements |  |  |  |
| Minimum \# of units required in the major (units counting towards major units and major GPA) | 51 | 42 | 42 |
| Minimum \# of upper-division units required in the major (upper division | 51 | 42 | 24 |


| units counting towards major GPA) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Minimum \# of residency units to be completed in the major | 18 | 18 | 18 |
| Required supporting coursework (courses that do not count towards major units and major GPA, but are required for the major). Courses listed must include prefix, number, units, and title. Include any limits/restrictio ns needed (house number limit, etc.). Provide email(s)/letter( <br> s) of support from home department head(s) for courses not owned by your department. | Required courses: Math 113, or Math 116, and ISTA 116 | None | None |
| Major requirements. List all major requirements including core and electives. If applicable, list the emphasis requirements for each proposed emphasis. Courses listed | Core Courses/Required Major Coursework (33 units) <br> 1XX Programming for Game Dev. (3) <br> 2XX Game Development I <br> (4) <br> ESOC 302 Quantitative Methods for the Digital Marketplace (3) | Core Courses/Required Major Coursework (21 Units) <br> 2XX Games, Behavior, and 3XX Gamification in Society ISTA 161 Ethics in a Digital ISTA 251 Introduction to Ga ESOC 211 Collaborating in | MAJOR CORE (21 units) <br> - PAH 200: Introduction to Applied Humanities (3) <br> - PAH 201: Applied Humanities Practice: <br> Techniques and Technologies (3) <br> - PAH 372: Intercultural Competence: Culture, Identity, Adaptation, and Intercultural Relations (3) |


| count towards major units and major GPA. Courses listed must include prefix, number, units, and title. Mark new coursework (New). Include any limits/restrictio ns needed (house number limit, etc.). Provide email(s)/letter( s) of support from home department head(s) for courses not owned by your department. | ESOC 314 Theories of New Media (3) <br> ISTA 130 Computational Thinking and Doing (4) <br> ISTA 161 Ethics in a Digital World (3) <br> ISTA 251 Introduction to Game Design (3) <br> ISTA 416 Introduction to Human Computer Interaction (3) <br> ISTA 425 Algorithms for Games (3) <br> STA 451 Game <br> Development (4) <br> Individual/Capstone Required Coursework (6 upper division units) Internship, Directed Research, Individual or Independent Study (3) along with the ISTA 498 Capstone req.(3). <br> Elective Coursework in the Major (12 upper division units) *These courses are organized in to 'tracks' depending on students' interests, students are encouraged but not required to complete their elective coursework in a particular specialty area. <br> PROGRAMMINGINTENSIVE TRACK (12 units) <br> 3XX Game Physics (3) ISTA 311 Foundations of Info. and Inference (3) ISTA 331 Principles and Practice of Data Sci (3) | ESOC 302 Quantitative Met <br> ESOC 480: Digital Engagen <br> Individual/Capstone Required Coursework (3 upper division units) Internship, Directed Research, Individual or Independent Study (3). <br> Elective Coursework in the Major <br> (at least 18 units) <br> 3XX Monetizing Indep. <br> Gaming (3) <br> ISTA 301 Computing and the Arts (3) <br> ISTA 302 Technology of Sound (3) <br> ISTA 321 Data Mining and Discovery (3) <br> ISTA 416 Introduction to Human Comp. Interaction (3) <br> ESOC 316 Digital <br> Commerce (3) <br> ESOC 318 Disruptive <br> Technologies (3) <br> ESOC 340 Multimedia <br> Design \& the Moving <br> Image (3) |  internship: Building entreer Readiness (3) - PAH 420: Innovation and the Human Condition: Learning How to Improve Life in the Community and Beyond (3) <br> - PAH 493/493H: Internship (3) <br> - PAH 498: Senior Capstone (3) <br> GAME STUDIES EMPHASIS (18 units) <br> - PAH 230: Video Games as Artifacts: Appreciating Interactive Multimedia Entertainment (3) <br> - PAH 231: Global Video Game Cultures and Their Origins (3) [New] <br> - PAH 330: The Video Game Industry: An Introduction to the Business of Making Money with Play (3) - PAH 331: Video Game Studies: Critical/Cultural Approaches (3) [New] - INFV 405: Introduction to Game Design (3) or ISTA 251: Introduction to Game Design (3) <br> - INFV 406: Introduction to Game Development (3) or ISTA 451: Game Development (3) <br> MAJOR ELECTIVES <br> (3 units from among the following) <br> Africana Studies Program - AFAS 223: African Philosophical Worlds (3) - AFAS 463: Doing Business In/With Africa: A Cultural Perspective (3) |
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|  | ISTA 350 Prog. for Informatics Applications (3) ISTA 424 Virtual Reality (3) <br> GAME ENTREPRENEUR TRACK (12 units) <br> 3XX Monetizing Indep. <br> Gaming (3) <br> ESOC 316 Digital <br> Commerce (3) <br> ESOC 318 Disruptive <br> Technologies (3) <br> LIS 484 Introduction to <br> Copyright (3) <br> ARTIFICIAL <br> INTELLIGENCE TRACK <br> (12 Units) <br> ISTA 450 Artificial <br> Intelligence (3) <br> 4XX Artificial Intelligence in Games (3) <br> ISTA 421 Introduction to Machine Learning (3) ISTA 457 Neural Networks (3) <br> ART OF GAMES TRACK (12 Units) <br> ISTA 301 Computing and the Arts (3) <br> ISTA 302 Technology of Sound (3) <br> ISTA 303 Introduction to Creative Coding (3) ISTA 403 Advanced Creative Coding (3) ESOC 300 Digital Storytelling and Culture (3) ESOC 340 Information, Multimedia Design \& the Moving Image (3) | LIS 484 Introduction to Copyright (3) | College of Humanities <br> - HUMS 375: <br> Globalization and <br> Transnational Cinema (3) <br> Department of East Asian Studies <br> - CHN 245: Chinese Popular Culture (3) <br> - CHN 410B: The <br> Anthropology of Contemporary China (3) <br> - CHN 444: Chinese Media \& Culture (3) <br> - JPN 245: Japanese Anime and Visual Culture (3) <br> - JPN 425A: <br> Anthropology of Japan: Images and Realities (3) <br> - KOR 245: K-pop, <br> Webtoons, <br> Ethnic Food, and More: <br> Understanding Korean Pop Culture (3) <br> - KOR 251: Introduction to Korea through Films (3) <br> - EAS 444: East Asian Traditions and the Rise of Commercial Civilization (3) <br> - EAS 466: Japanese and Chinese Nationalism <br> (3) <br> Department of French \& Italian <br> - FREN 230: French Culture (1789-present) (3) <br> - FREN/ITAL 231: <br> Fashion and Culture in France and Italy (3) <br>  <br> Francophone Hip-Hop <br> Cultures (3) <br> - FREN 433: Business <br> French 1(3) <br> - FREN 434: Business <br> French 2 (3) <br> - ITAL 230: Introduction to Italian Culture (3) <br> - ITAL 240: Italian Folklore and Popular Culture (3) |
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|  |  |  | Department of German <br> Studies <br> - GER 246: Culture, Science and Technology (3) <br> - GER 315: German for Professional Purposes (3) <br> - GER 371: <br> Contemporary German Culture (3) <br> - GER 416: Minority Views in German Culture (3) <br> - GER 430: Crossing Borders/Crossing Cultures (3) <br>  <br> Applied Humanities <br> - PAH 220: <br> Collaboration: A Humanities Perspective (3) <br> - PAH 221: Creating, Imagining, Innovating: Intercultural Approaches to Academic and Career Success (3) <br> - PAH 240: Some We Love, Some We Hate, <br> Some We Eat: Global <br> Perspectives on <br> Human/Animal <br> Relationships (3) <br> - PAH 310: Urban <br> Multilingualism: An <br> Introduction to Exploring <br> Diverse Cities (3) <br> - PAH 320: Working: The Rewards and Costs of Employment (3) <br> - PAH 350: Health <br> Humanities: Intercultural Perspectives <br> - PAH 456: Humanities and the Global Creative Economy (3) <br> Department of Religious Studies \& Classics <br> - CLAS 311: Athens Through the Ages (3) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |



|  |  |  | - TLS 386: Global <br> Citizenship: Reading the <br> World and the Word (3) |
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| Internship, <br> practicum, <br> applied course <br> requirements <br> (Yes/No). If yes, <br> provide <br> description. | Yes/Individual/Capstone <br> Required Coursework <br> (6 upper division units) <br> INFO 493 Internship, INFO <br> 492 Directed Research, <br> INFO 499 Individual or <br> Independent Study (3) <br> along with ISTA 498 Senior <br> Capstone (3) | Yes/Individual/Capstone <br> Required Coursework <br> (3 upper division units) <br> INFO 493 Internship, <br> INFO 492 Directed <br> Research, <br> INFO 499 Individual or <br> Independent Study (3). | Yes. Complete 3 units of <br> pre-internship (PAH 383) <br> and 3 units of an <br> internship (PAH 493). |
| Senior thesis or <br> senior project <br> required <br> (Yes/No). If yes, <br> provide <br> description. | No | No | No (no separate senior <br> project but one is <br> embedded in capstone) |
| Additional <br> requirements <br> (provide <br> description) | None | None | None |
| Minor (specify if <br> optional or <br> required) | Optional | Required | Required |

*Note: comparison of additional relevant programs may be requested.

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Dear Dr. Brooks:
Subject: Proposed BA in Games \& Behavior; proposed BS in Game Design \& Development
On behalf of the Department of Public \& Applied Humanities, I write this letter in support of the proposed BA in Games \& Behavior and the proposed BS in Game Design \& Development. The degrees look very exciting, and will no doubt be well received by students. Please let me know if there are additional ways we can help support the proposals.

Sincerely,


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## VALIDATE: EMPLOYMENT POTENTIAL

## PROJECT CRITERIA

| Validate | Programs |
| :--- | :--- |
| Metro Areas (MSAs) | Tucson, AZ |
| Degree Level | Bachelor's degree |
| Time Period | $9 / 1 / 2018-8 / 31 / 2019$ |
| Selected Programs | Game and Interactive Media Design (50.0411) |
| Career Outcomes mapped to <br> Selected Programs of Study | Video Game Designer |

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## HOW MANY JOBS ARE THERE FOR YOUR GRADUATES?

For your project criteria, there were 0 job postings in the last 12 months.

Compared to:

- 111,367 total job postings in your selected location
- 32,031 total job postings requesting a Bachelor's degree in your selected location

The number of jobs is expected to grow over the next 8 years.

GROWTH BY GEOGRAPHY

| Geography | Selected <br> Occupations | Total Labor Market | Relative Growth |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Tucson, AZ | $16.62 \%$ | $17.14 \%$ | Average |
| Arizona | $16.60 \%$ | $14.97 \%$ | Average |

## HOW HAS EMPLOYMENT CHANGED FOR CAREER OUTCOMES OF YOUR PROGRAM?

|  | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2028 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Employment <br> (BLS) | 210 | 420 | 770 | 940 | 1,330 | 1,551 |



Employment data between years 2019 and 2028 are projected figures.

## DETAILS BY OCCUPATION

| Occupation Group | Postings | LQ | Employment <br> $(2018)$ | Employment <br> Growth (2017 - <br> 2018) | Projected <br> Employment <br> Growth <br> $(2019-2028)$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Front-End Application <br> Design | 0 | 0.0 | 1,330 | $41.5 \%$ | $16.6 \%$ |

HOW VERSATILE IS MY PROGRAM?

Graduates of this program usually transition into any of the 1 different occupation groups:

| Occupations Group | Market Size (postings) | Percentage of Career Outcome <br> demand |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Front-End Application Design | 0 | $0.0 \%$ |

Front-End Application Design

## WHAT SALARY WILL MY GRADUATES MAKE?

The average salary in Tucson, AZ for graduates of your program is \$0
This average salary is Below the average living wage for Tucson, AZ of \$32,011

No experience salary information is currently available

Salary numbers are based on Burning Glass models that consider advertised job posting salary, BLS data, and other proprietary and public sources of information.
Occupation Group $\quad 5^{\text {th }}$ Percentile $\quad$ Average $\quad 5^{\text {th }}$ Percentile

## WHERE IS THE DEMAND FOR MY GRADUATES?

## TOP LOCATIONS BY POSTING DEMAND

| Location | Postings |
| :--- | :--- |
| Los Angeles-Long Beach-Anaheim, CA | 525 |
| San Francisco-Oakland-Hayward, CA | 275 |
| Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, WA | 227 |
| Austin-Round Rock, TX | 106 |
| San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara, CA | 68 |
| San Diego-Carlsbad, CA | 51 |
| Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Roswell, GA | 47 |
| New York-Newark-Jersey City, NY-NJ-PA | 39 |


| Las Vegas-Henderson-Paradise, NV | 27 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Chicago-Naperville-Elgin, IL-IN-WI | 24 |

## VALIDATE: COMPETITIVE LANDSCAPE

PROJECT CRITERIA

| Validate | Programs |
| :--- | :--- |
| Metro Areas (MSAs) | Tucson, AZ |
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## OVERVIEW

|  | \# | \% Change <br> $\mathbf{( 2 0 1 3 - 2 0 1 7 )}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Degrees Conferred | 3 | $100 \%$ |
| Number of Institutions | 1 | $100 \%$ |
| Average Conferrals by <br> Institution | 3 | $100.00 \%$ |
| Median Conferrals by <br> Institution | 3 | $100.00 \%$ |



Conferrals

| Program | Conferrals | Market Share (\%) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| (2017) | Mame and Interactive Media Design | 3 |

MARKET SHARE BY INSTITUTION TYPE


Conferrals
Institution Type
(2017) Market Share (\%)
(2017)

| For-Profit | 3 | $100.00 \%$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |

## TOP INSTITUTIONS

| Institution | School <br> Type | Market Share (2017) | Market Share Change | Conferrals (2017) | Conferrals Change (2013-2017) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| The Art Institute of Tucson | For- <br> Profit | 100.00\% | 100.00\% | 3 | 100.00\% |

TOP PROGRAMS

| Program | Market Share | Market Share | Conferrals | Conferrals Change |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | (2017) | Change | (2017) | $(2013-2017)$ |


| Game and Interactive | $100.00 \%$ | $100.00 \%$ | 3 | $100.00 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Media Design |  |  |  |  |

## ACTIVE COMPETITORS

|  | Market <br> School <br> Share |  |  | Market Share <br> Type | Conferrals |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Change | (2017) | Conferrals Change |  |  |  |
|  |  | $(2017)$ |  | $(2013-2017)$ |  |

## VALIDATE: MARKET ALIGNMENT

PROJECT CRITERIA

| Validate | Programs |
| :--- | :--- |
| Metro Areas (MSAs) | Tucson, AZ |
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| Time Period | $9 / 1 / 2018-8 / 31 / 2019$ |
| Selected Programs | Game and Interactive Media Design (50.0411) |
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JOB POSTINGS BY INDUSTRY (\%)

JOB POSTINGS BY EXPERIENCE REQUESTED (\%)


## TOP TITLES

Experience Level: All Experience

Market
Title
Postings Share
(\%)

## TOP EMPLOYERS HIRING

Experience Level: All Experience

Employer $\quad$ Postings | Market |
| :---: |
| Share |
| $(\%)$ |

## VALIDATE: KEY COMPETENCIES

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PROJECT CRITERIA
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| Validate | Programs |
| :--- | :--- |
| Metro Areas (MSAs) | Tucson, AZ |
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| Time Period | $9 / 1 / 2018-8 / 31 / 2019$ |
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## TOP 15 SPECIALIZED SKILLS

Skill Postings \begin{tabular}{ccc}
Projected <br>
Growth

 Salary Premium 

Competitive <br>
Advantage
\end{tabular}

## TOP 15 BASELINES SKILLS

| Skill | Postings | Projected <br> Growth | Salary <br> Premium | Competitive <br> Advantage |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |

TOP 15 SKILL CLUSTERS

| Skill | Postings |
| :--- | :--- |
| Animation and Game <br> Design | $0(0 \%)$ |
| Augumented Reality / <br> Virtual Reality (AR / VR) | $0(0 \%)$ |
| Simulation | $0(0 \%)$ |
| Uncategorized | $0(0 \%)$ |
| Physics | $0(0 \%)$ |
| Art and Illustration | $0(0 \%)$ |
| Programming Principles | $0(0 \%)$ |


| Computer and <br> Information Technology <br> Industry Knowledge | $0(0 \%)$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| Java | $0(0 \%)$ |
| Quality Assurance and <br> Control | $0(0 \%)$ |
| User Interface and User | $0(0 \%)$ |
| Experience (UI/UX) Design | $0(0 \%)$ |
| Product Development | $0(0 \%)$ |
| Software Development | $0(0 \%)$ |
| Principles |  |

TOP 15 SALARY PREMIUM SKILLS

Skill $\quad$ Postings \begin{tabular}{c}
Projected <br>
Growth

$\quad$ Salary Premium 

Competitive <br>
Advantage
\end{tabular}

No skills available

## TOP 15 COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE SKILLS

| Skill | Postings | Projected | Salary | Competitive |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Growth | Premium | Advantage |

No skills available

TOP 15 CERTIFICATIONS

Skill $\quad$ Postings $\quad$ Salary Premium | Competitive |
| :---: |
| Advantage |

TOP 15 SALARY PREMIUM CERTIFICATIONS

Skill \begin{tabular}{ccc}

Postings \& Salary Premium \& | Competitive |
| :---: |
| Advantage | <br>

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\end{tabular}

No certificates available

TOP 15 COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE CERTIFICATIONS

Skill $\quad$ Postings $\quad$ Salary Premium | Competitive |
| :---: |
| Advantage |

No certificates available

## VALIDATE: EMPLOYMENT POTENTIAL

## PROJECT CRITERIA

| Validate | Programs |
| :--- | :--- |
| States | Arizona |
| Degree Level | Bachelor's degree |
| Time Period | $9 / 1 / 2018-8 / 31 / 2019$ |
| Selected Programs | Game and Interactive Media Design (50.0411) |
| Career Outcomes mapped to <br> Selected Programs of Study | Video Game Designer |

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## HOW MANY JOBS ARE THERE FOR YOUR GRADUATES?

For your project criteria, there were 4 job postings in the last 12 months.

Compared to:

- 875,530 total job postings in your selected location
- 275,216 total job postings requesting a Bachelor's degree in your selected location

The number of jobs is expected to grow over the next 8 years.

GROWTH BY GEOGRAPHY

| Geography | Selected <br> Occupations | Total Labor Market | Relative Growth |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Arizona | $16.60 \%$ | $14.97 \%$ | Average |
| Nationwide | $9.30 \%$ | $5.78 \%$ | Average |

HOW HAS EMPLOYMENT CHANGED FOR CAREER OUTCOMES OF YOUR PROGRAM?

|  | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2028 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Employment <br> (BLS) | 2,390 | 2,850 | 4,520 | 7,150 | 9,150 | 10,669 |



Employment data between years 2019 and 2028 are projected figures.

## DETAILS BY OCCUPATION

| Occupation Group | Postings | LQ | Employment <br> $(2018)$ | Employment <br> Growth (2017 - <br> 2018) | Projected <br> Employment <br> Growth <br> $(2019-2028)$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Front-End Application <br> Design | 4 | 0.1 | 9,150 | $28.0 \%$ | $16.6 \%$ |

HOW VERSATILE IS MY PROGRAM?

Graduates of this program usually transition into any of the 1 different occupation groups:

| Occupations Group | Market Size (postings) | Percentage of Career Outcome <br> demand |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Front-End Application Design | 4 | $100.0 \%$ |



## WHAT SALARY WILL MY GRADUATES MAKE?

The average salary in Arizona for graduates of your program is \$96,320
This average salary is Above the average living wage for Arizona of $\$ 32,531$

No experience salary information is currently available

Salary numbers are based on Burning Glass models that consider advertised job posting salary, BLS data, and other proprietary and public sources of information.

| Occupation Group | $25^{\text {th }}$ Percentile | Average | $75^{\text {th }}$ Percentile |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Front-End Application Design | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |

## WHERE IS THE DEMAND FOR MY GRADUATES?



## TOP LOCATIONS BY POSTING DEMAND

| Location | Postings |
| :--- | :--- |
| California | 934 |
| Washington | 228 |
| Texas | 148 |
| Georgia | 54 |
| New York | 44 |
| North Carolina | 31 |
| Maryland | 31 |


| Florida | 30 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Nevada | 27 |
| Illinois | 24 |

## VALIDATE: COMPETITIVE LANDSCAPE

PROJECT CRITERIA

| Validate | Programs |
| :--- | :--- |
| States | Arizona |
| Degree Level | Bachelor's degree |
| Time Period | $9 / 1 / 2018-8 / 31 / 2019$ |
| Selected Programs | Game and Interactive Media Design (50.0411) |
| Career Outcomes mapped <br> to Selected Programs of <br> Study | Video Game Designer |

## OVERVIEW

|  | \# | \% Change <br> $\mathbf{( 2 0 1 3 - 2 0 1 7 ) ~}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Degrees Conferred | 21 | $-63 \%$ |
| Number of Institutions | 3 | $50 \%$ |
| Average Conferrals by <br> Institution | 7 | $-75.90 \%$ |
| Median Conferrals by <br> Institution | 3 | $-89.70 \%$ |



| Program |  | Conferrals |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| (2017) | Market Share (\%) |  |
| Game and Interactive Media Design | 21 | $100.00 \%$ |

MARKET SHARE BY INSTITUTION TYPE


Conferrals
Institution Type
(2017)

| For-Profit | 21 | $100.00 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Private | 0 | $0.00 \%$ |

## TOP INSTITUTIONS

| Institution | School Type | Market Share (2017) | Market Share Change | Conferrals (2017) | Conferrals Change (2013-2017) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| The Art Institute of Phoenix | For- <br> Profit | 85.71\% | 66.74\% | 18 | 63.60\% |
| The Art Institute of Tucson | For- <br> Profit | 14.29\% | 14.29\% | 3 | 100.00\% |
| Collins College | For- <br> Profit | 0.00\% | -81.03\% |  | -100.00\% |


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| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Embry-Riddle |  |  |  |  |  |
| Aeronautical | Private | $0.00 \%$ | $0.00 \%$ | 0 | $0.00 \%$ |
| University-Prescott |  |  |  |  |  |

## TOP PROGRAMS

| Program | Market Share (2017) | Market Share Change | Conferrals (2017) | Conferrals Change <br> (2013-2017) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Game and Interactive <br> Media Design | 100.00\% | 0.00\% | 21 | -63.80\% |

## ACTIVE COMPETITORS

|  | Market |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Institution | School <br> Type | Share | Market Share <br> Change | Conferrals | Conferrals Change |
|  |  | $(2017)$ |  | $(2017)$ | $(2013-2017)$ |

## VALIDATE: MARKET ALIGNMENT

PROJECT CRITERIA

| Validate | Programs |
| :--- | :--- |
| States | Arizona |
| Degree Level | Bachelor's degree |
| Time Period | $9 / 1 / 2018-8 / 31 / 2019$ |
| Selected Programs | Game and Interactive Media Design (50.0411) |
| Career Outcomes mapped to <br> Selected Programs of Study | Video Game Designer |

## JOB POSTINGS BY ADVERTISED EDUCATION (\%)



JOB POSTINGS BY INDUSTRY (\%)

JOB POSTINGS BY EXPERIENCE REQUESTED (\%)


## TOP TITLES

Experience Level: All Experience

| Title | Postings | Market <br> Share <br> (\%) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Senior Engineer | 2 | $100.00 \%$ |

TOP EMPLOYERS HIRING

Experience Level: All Experience

Employer $\quad$ Postings | Market |
| :---: |
| Share |
| $(\%)$ |

## VALIDATE: KEY COMPETENCIES

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PROJECT CRITERIA
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| Validate | Programs |
| :--- | :--- |
| States | Arizona |
| Degree Level | Bachelor's degree |
| Time Period | $9 / 1 / 2018-8 / 31 / 2019$ |
| Selected Programs | Game and Interactive Media Design (50.0411) |
| Career Outcomes mapped to <br> Selected Programs of Study | Video Game Designer |

## TOP 15 SPECIALIZED SKILLS

| Skill | Postings | Projected <br> Growth | Salary Premium | Competitive <br> Advantage |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Unity (Programming <br> Language) | $7(175 \%)$ | $48.49 \%$ | No | No |
|  | $6(150 \%)$ | $-25.69 \%$ | No | No |
| Microsoft C\# |  |  |  |  |


| Gaming Industry <br> Knowledge | $3(75 \%)$ | $-25.87 \%$ | No | No |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Object-Oriented <br> Programming | $3(75 \%)$ | $5.43 \%$ | No | No |  |
|  | $2(50 \%)$ | $-8.52 \%$ | No | No |  |
| Unity 3D | $2(50 \%)$ | $-28.56 \%$ | No | No |  |
| Object-Oriented Analysis <br> and Design (OOAD) | $2(50 \%)$ | $39.69 \%$ | No | No |  |
| Unity |  |  |  |  |  |

## TOP 15 BASELINES SKILLS

Skill Postings

TOP 15 SOFTWARE PROGRAMMING SKILLS

| Skill | Postings | Projected <br> Growth | Salary <br> Premium | Competitive <br> Advantage |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Microsoft C\# | $6(150 \%)$ | $-25.69 \%$ | No | No |
| Object-Oriented <br> Programming | $3(75 \%)$ | $5.43 \%$ | No | No |


| Object-Oriented Analysis <br> and Design (OOAD) | $2(50 \%)$ | $-28.56 \%$ | No | No |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $2(50 \%)$ | $39.69 \%$ | No | No |
| Unity | $1(25 \%)$ | $74.16 \%$ | No | No |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Atlassian JIRA |  |  |  |  |

## TOP 15 SKILL CLUSTERS

| Skill | Postings |
| :--- | :--- |
| Animation and Game <br> Design | $4(100 \%)$ |
|  |  |
| Programming Principles | $3(75 \%)$ |
| Augumented Reality / <br> Virtual Reality (AR / VR) | $0(0 \%)$ |
| Simulation | $0(0 \%)$ |
| Uncategorized | $0(0 \%)$ |
| Physics | $0(0 \%)$ |


| Art and Illustration | $0(0 \%)$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| Product Management | $0(0 \%)$ |
| Computer and |  |
| Information Technology <br> Industry Knowledge | $0(0 \%)$ |
| Java | $0(0 \%)$ |
| Quality Assurance and | $0(0 \%)$ |
| Control | $0(0 \%)$ |
| User Interface and User | $0(0 \%)$ |
| Experience (UI/UX) Design | $0(0 \%)$ |
| SavaScript and jQuery | $0(0 \%)$ |
| Principles |  |

## TOP 15 SALARY PREMIUM SKILLS

Skill $\quad$ Postings $\quad$\begin{tabular}{c}
Projected <br>
Growth

$\quad$ Salary Premium 

Competitive <br>
Advantage
\end{tabular}

No skills available

TOP 15 COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE SKILLS

| Skill | Postings | Projected <br> Growth | Salary <br> Premium | Competitive <br> Advantage |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |

No skills available

TOP 15 CERTIFICATIONS

| Skill | Postings | Salary Premium | Competitive <br> Advantage |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |

TOP 15 SALARY PREMIUM CERTIFICATIONS

Skill $\quad$ Postings $\quad$ Salary Premium | Competitive |
| :---: |
| Advantage |

No certificates available

TOP 15 COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE CERTIFICATIONS

Skill
Postings Salary Premium

Competitive Advantage

No certificates available

## VALIDATE: EMPLOYMENT POTENTIAL

## PROJECT CRITERIA

| Validate | Programs |
| :--- | :--- |
| Location | Nationwide |
| Degree Level | Bachelor's degree |
| Time Period | $9 / 1 / 2018-8 / 31 / 2019$ |
| Selected Programs | Game and Interactive Media Design (50.0411) |
| Career Outcomes mapped to <br> Selected Programs of Study | Video Game Designer |

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## HOW MANY JOBS ARE THERE FOR YOUR GRADUATES?

For your project criteria, there were 1,698 job postings in the last 12 months.

Compared to:

- 31,389,607 total job postings in your selected location
- 11,211,265 total job postings requesting a Bachelor's degree in your selected location

The number of jobs is expected to grow over the next 8 years.

GROWTH BY GEOGRAPHY

| Geography | Selected <br> Occupations | Total Labor Market | Relative Growth |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Nationwide | $9.30 \%$ | $5.78 \%$ | Average |

HOW HAS EMPLOYMENT CHANGED FOR CAREER OUTCOMES OF YOUR PROGRAM?

|  | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2028 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Employment <br> (BLS) | 212,510 | 223,370 | 261,210 | 315,830 | 381,380 | 416,848 |



Employment data between years 2019 and 2028 are projected figures.

## DETAILS BY OCCUPATION

| Occupation Group | Postings | LQ | Employment <br> $(2018)$ | Employment <br> Growth (2017-2 <br> 2018) | Projected <br> Employment <br> Growth <br> $(2019-2028)$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Front-End Application <br> Design | 1,698 | NA | 381,380 | $20.8 \%$ | $9.3 \%$ |

HOW VERSATILE IS MY PROGRAM?

Graduates of this program usually transition into any of the 1 different occupation groups:

| Occupations Group | Market Size (postings) | Percentage of Career Outcome <br> demand |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Front-End Application Design | 1,698 | $100.0 \%$ |



## WHAT SALARY WILL MY GRADUATES MAKE?

The average salary in the nation for graduates of your program is $\$ 83,943$
This average salary is Above the average living wage for your region of \$31,450


Salary numbers are based on Burning Glass models that consider advertised job posting salary, BLS data, and other proprietary and public sources of information.

| Occupation Group | $25^{\text {th }}$ Percentile | Average | 75 $^{\text {th }}$ Percentile |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Front-End Application Design | $\$ 76,136$ | $\$ 89,551$ | $\$ 91,559$ |

## WHERE IS THE DEMAND FOR MY GRADUATES?



## TOP LOCATIONS BY POSTING DEMAND

| Location | Postings |
| :--- | :--- |
| California | 934 |
| Washington | 228 |
| Texas | 148 |
| Georgia | 54 |
| New York | 44 |
| North Carolina | 31 |
| Maryland | 31 |


| Florida | 30 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Nevada | 27 |
| Illinois | 24 |

## VALIDATE: COMPETITIVE LANDSCAPE

## PROJECT CRITERIA

| Validate | Programs |
| :--- | :--- |
| Location | Nationwide |
| Degree Level | Bachelor's degree |
| Time Period | $9 / 1 / 2018-8 / 31 / 2019$ |
| Selected Programs | Game and Interactive Media Design (50.0411) |
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## OVERVIEW

|  | \# | \% Change <br> $\mathbf{( 2 0 1 3 - 2 0 1 7 ) ~}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Degrees Conferred | 1,347 | $0 \%$ |
| Number of Institutions | 103 | $33 \%$ |
| Average Conferrals by <br> Institution | 13 | $-23.50 \%$ |
| Median Conferrals by <br> Institution | 8 | $-27.30 \%$ |



| Program |  | Conferrals |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| (2017) | Market Share (\%) |  |
| Game and Interactive Media Design | 1,347 | $100.00 \%$ |

MARKET SHARE BY INSTITUTION TYPE


| Institution Type | Conferrals |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| (2017) |  |$\quad$ Market Share (\%)

## TOP INSTITUTIONS

| Institution | School <br> Type | Market <br> Share <br> (2017) | Market Share <br> Change | Conferrals <br> (2017) | Conferrals Change <br> (2013-2017) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| The University of <br> Texas at Dallas | Public | $14.48 \%$ | $5.30 \%$ | 195 | $58.50 \%$ |
| Savannah College of <br> Art and Design | Private | $6.83 \%$ | $1.68 \%$ | 92 | $33.30 \%$ |


| Drexel University | Private | 3.56\% | 3.56\% | 48 | 100.00\% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| The Art Institute of Pittsburgh-Online Division | For- <br> Profit | 3.34\% | 0.80\% | 45 | 32.40\% |
| California State University-Chico | Public | 3.12\% | 3.12\% | 42 | 100.00\% |
| University of Southern California | Private | 2.38\% | 0.59\% | 32 | 33.30\% |
| Rensselaer <br> Polytechnic Institute | Private | 2.30\% | 0.06\% | 31 | 3.30\% |
| SAE Expression College | For- <br> Profit | 2.23\% | 0.59\% | 30 | 36.40\% |
| Champlain College | Private | 2.15\% | -0.24\% | 29 | -9.40\% |

## TOP PROGRAMS

| Program |  | Market Share <br> (2017) |  | Market Share <br> Change |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Conferrals | Conferrals Change |  |  |  |
| (2017) | (2013-2017) |  |  |  |
| Game and Interactive | $100.00 \%$ | $0.00 \%$ | 1,347 | $0.50 \%$ |
| Media Design |  |  |  |  |

## ACTIVE COMPETITORS

Institution \begin{tabular}{cccc}
School <br>
Type

$\quad$

Market <br>
Share

 

Market Share <br>
Change
\end{tabular}$\quad$ Conferrals Conferrals Change

## VALIDATE: MARKET ALIGNMENT

PROJECT CRITERIA

| Validate | Programs |
| :--- | :--- |
| Location | Nationwide |
| Degree Level | Bachelor's degree |
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| Selected Programs | Game and Interactive Media Design (50.0411) |
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## JOB POSTINGS BY ADVERTISED EDUCATION (\%)



JOB POSTINGS BY INDUSTRY (\%)



## TOP TITLES

Experience Level: All Experience

| Title | PostingsMarket <br> Share <br> (\%) |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Game Designer | 183 | $28.86 \%$ |
| Senior Engineer | 77 | $12.15 \%$ |
| Gameplay Engineer | 47 | $7.41 \%$ |
| Engineer | 38 | $5.99 \%$ |
| Environment Artist | 32 | $5.05 \%$ |
| Concept Artist | 26 | $4.10 \%$ |
| Lead Engineer | 26 | $4.10 \%$ |


| Summer Instructor, Video <br> Game Design | 19 | $3.00 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Senior Environment Artist | 14 | $2.21 \%$ |
| Lead Game Desinger | 11 | $1.74 \%$ |
| Development Engineer | 10 | $1.58 \%$ |
| Game Engineer | 10 | $1.58 \%$ |
| Senior Concept Artist | 10 | $1.58 \%$ |
| Lead Concept Artist | 7 | $1.10 \%$ |
| Lead Environment Artist | 7 | $1.10 \%$ |

## TOP EMPLOYERS HIRING

Experience Level: All Experience

| Employer | Postings | Market <br> Share <br> $(\%)$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Amazon | 28 | $4.42 \%$ |
| Activision | 17 | $2.68 \%$ |
| Time Warner | 17 | $2.68 \%$ |
| Electronic Arts <br> Incorporated | 15 | $2.37 \%$ |
| Booz Allen Hamilton Inc. | 13 | $2.05 \%$ |
| Survios | 13 | $2.05 \%$ |
| Sony Electronics <br> Incorporated | 12 | $1.89 \%$ |
| Blizzard Entertainment | 11 | $1.74 \%$ |


| SAIC | 11 | $1.74 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Cryptic Studios <br> Incorporated | 10 | $1.58 \%$ |
| Facebook | 9 | $1.42 \%$ |
| Wargaming | 9 | $1.42 \%$ |
| Zenimax Media <br> Incorporated | 9 | $1.42 \%$ |
| Big Fish Games, Inc | 7 | $1.10 \%$ |
| Disney | 7 | $1.10 \%$ |

## VALIDATE: KEY COMPETENCIES

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PROJECT CRITERIA
```

| Validate | Programs |
| :--- | :--- |
| Location | Nationwide |
| Degree Level | Bachelor's degree |
| Time Period | $9 / 1 / 2018-8 / 31 / 2019$ |
| Selected Programs | Game and Interactive Media Design (50.0411) |
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## TOP 15 SPECIALIZED SKILLS

| Skill | Postings | Projected <br> Growth | Salary Premium | Competitive <br> Advantage |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Game Development | $785(46 \%)$ | $-9.49 \%$ | No | No |
| Level design |  |  |  |  |


| Adobe Photoshop | 431 (25\%) | -22.36\% | No | No |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C++ | 421 (25\%) | -24.09\% | No | No |
| Maya | 382 (22\%) | 7.51\% | No | No |
| Microsoft C\# | 251 (15\%) | -25.69\% | No | No |
| Zbrush | 232 (14\%) | 20.69\% | No | Yes |
| EPIC Unreal Engine | 216 (13\%) | 53.88\% | No | No |
| Art Direction | 198 (12\%) | -31.29\% | Yes | No |
| Software Engineering | 168 (10\%) | 7.27\% | Yes | No |
| Scheduling | 158 (9\%) | 1.88\% | No | No |
| Painting | 152 (9\%) | 5.51\% | No | No |
| Painting (Art) | 152 (9\%) | 4.49\% | No | No |
| Physics | 140 (8\%) | -16.38\% | No | Yes |


|  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 3D Modeling / Design | $139(8 \%)$ | $6.84 \%$ | No | No |

## TOP 15 BASELINES SKILLS

| Skill | Postings |
| :---: | :---: |
| Teamwork / <br> Collaboration | 747 (44\%) |
| Creativity | 709 (42\%) |
| Communication Skills | 607 (36\%) |
| Problem Solving | 301 (18\%) |
| Organizational Skills | 208 (12\%) |
| Research | 189 (11\%) |
| Writing (8\%) |  |


| Detail-Oriented | 116 (7\%) |
| :---: | :---: |
| Editing | 111 (7\%) |
| Time Management | $105(6 \%)$ |
| Microsoft Excel | $97(6 \%)$ |
| Written | $80(5 \%)$ |
| Communication | $74(4 \%)$ |
| Troubleshooting | $72(4 \%)$ |
| Meeting Deadlines | $69(4 \%)$ |
|  |  |

TOP 15 SOFTWARE PROGRAMMING SKILLS

| Skill | Postings | Projected <br> Growth | Salary <br> Premium | Competitive <br> Advantage |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |


| Level design | 519 (31\%) | 7.16\% | No | No |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Adobe Photoshop | 431 (25\%) | -22.36\% | No | No |
| C++ | 421 (25\%) | -24.09\% | No | No |
| Maya | 382 (22\%) | 7.51\% | No | No |
| Microsoft C\# | 251 (15\%) | -25.69\% | No | No |
| Software Engineering | 168 (10\%) | 7.27\% | Yes | No |
| 3D Studio Max | 117 (7\%) | -23.06\% | No | No |
| Python | 116 (7\%) | 61.12\% | No | No |
| Unity | 102 (6\%) | 39.69\% | No | No |
| Microsoft Excel | 97 (6\%) | 17.03\% | No | No |
| Java | 92 (5\%) | -13.18\% | Yes | No |
| Software Development | 87 (5\%) | 5.78\% | No | No |


|  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Debugging | $86(5 \%)$ | $7.39 \%$ | Yes | No |
| JavaScript | $80(5 \%)$ | $6.81 \%$ | Yes | No |
| Object-Oriented Analysis <br> and Design (OOAD) | $60(4 \%)$ | $-28.56 \%$ | No | No |

## TOP 15 SKILL CLUSTERS

| Skill | Postings |
| :--- | :--- |
| Animation and Game <br> Design | 1031 (61\%) |
| Software Development <br> Principles | 325 (19\%) |
| Art and Illustration | 282 (17\%) |
| Programming Principles | 147 (9\%) |
| Product Development | 147 (9\%) |
| Physics | $140(8 \%)$ |


| Quality Assurance and | 121 (7\%) |
| :--- | :--- |
| Control |  |
|  | 100 (6\%) |
| Simulation |  |
| User Interface and User | 95 (6\%) |
| Experience (UI/UX) Design |  |
| JavaScript and jQuery | 95 (6\%) |
| Java | $92(5 \%)$ |
| Augumented Reality / | $62(4 \%)$ |
| Virtual Reality (AR / VR) |  |
| Product Management | 55 (3\%) |
| Uncategorized | 0 (0\%) |
| Computer and | 16 (1\%) |
| Information Technology |  |
| Industry Knowledge |  |

## TOP 15 SALARY PREMIUM SKILLS

| Skill | Postings | Projected <br> Growth | Salary Premium |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :--- | | Competitive |
| :---: |
| Advantage |


| Art Direction | 198 (12\%) | -31.29\% | Yes | No |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Software Engineering | 168 (10\%) | 7.27\% | Yes | No |
| Quality Assurance and Control | 121 (7\%) | 39.46\% | Yes | No |
| Prototyping | 112 (7\%) | 10.91\% | Yes | No |
| Simulation | 100 (6\%) | 9.66\% | Yes | No |
| Java | 92 (5\%) | -13.18\% | Yes | No |
| Debugging | 86 (5\%) | 7.39\% | Yes | No |
| JavaScript | 80 (5\%) | 6.81\% | Yes | No |
| Virtual Reality (VR) | 57 (3\%) | 91.72\% | Yes | No |
| cryEngine | 52 (3\%) | -100\% | Yes | Yes |
| Product Management | 45 (3\%) | 28.58\% | Yes | No |
| User Interface (UI) Design | 39 (2\%) | -23.75\% | Yes | No |


|  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Scrum | $27(2 \%)$ | $39.96 \%$ | Yes | No |
| Information Technology <br> Industry Knowledge | $16(1 \%)$ | $51.77 \%$ | Yes | No |

## TOP 15 COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE SKILLS

| Skill | Postings | Projected <br> Growth | Salary <br> Premium | Competitive <br> Advantage |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Zbrush | 232(14\%) | $20.69 \%$ | No | Yes |
| Physics |  |  |  |  |
|  | $140(8 \%)$ | $-16.38 \%$ | No | Yes |
| cryEngine | $52(3 \%)$ | $-100 \%$ | Yes | Yes |
| Augmented Reality (AR) | $34(2 \%)$ | $93.19 \%$ | No | Yes |

TOP 15 CERTIFICATIONS

| Skill | Postings | Salary Premium | Competitive <br> Advantage |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Security Clearance | $35(2 \%)$ | No |  |


|  |  |  | No |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Casino Gaming License | $1(0 \%)$ | No |  |
| Certified Teacher | $1(0 \%)$ | No | No |
|  | $1(0 \%)$ | No | No |
| Driver's License |  |  | No |

## TOP 15 SALARY PREMIUM CERTIFICATIONS

Skill $\quad$ Postings $\quad$ Salary Premium | Competitive |
| :---: |
| Advantage |

No certificates available

TOP 15 COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE CERTIFICATIONS

Skill $\quad$ Postings $\quad$ Salary Premium $\quad$| Competitive |
| :---: |
| Advantage |

No certificates available


[^0]:    Academic Plan is equal to Information Science \& Arts, Information Science \& Arts 2, Information Science \& Tech, Information Science \& Tech 2 , Information Science \& eSociety, eSociety
    and Academic Plan Type is equal to Major , Major (Secondary)
    and Term is equal to Fall 2014, Fall 2015, Fall 2016, Fall 2017, Fall 2018
    and Enrolled in Term Flag is equal to Y
    and Term Specific Primary Major Plan Flag is equal to Y
    and Term Specific Plan Active Flag is equal to $Y$

