

🏡 Key Performance Indicators

- 6 Years of Experience
- 4 Products Published, \$230M Estimated Sales

🎮 Releases & Experience

Europa Universalis 5

Game Designer | Paradox Interactive | Barcelona, Spain

Crusader Kings 3

Game Designer | Paradox Interactive | Malmö, Sweden

Crusader Kings 3: Legacy of Persia

Game Designer | Paradox Interactive | Malmö, Sweden

Crusader Kings 3: Fate of Iberia

Content Designer | Paradox Interactive | Malmö, Sweden

Independent Projects

I've worked on a variety of professional & non-professional indie projects, from VR stealth games to classic RTS multiplayer titles.

💡 Skills

Gameplay & Systems Design

Designing elegant systems and coming up with simple solutions to difficult problems is what I do best. I have previous experience taking ownership of core features and systems for various projects. Emergent gameplay and player agency are my bread and butter.

Technical Mindset

Though my forte is design, I have the necessary experience to hold highly technical conversations with both artists and programmers, ensuring close-knit cooperation and communication between our disciplines. I also have experience with high level programming languages such as C# and many scripting languages.

Toolset Adaptability

I have expertise working over ten different game engines, and a vast array of productivity programs. I am highly versatile, quick on the uptake, and eager to learn the processes in a studio.

Narrative Design

Author of much fan-favourite content, I have experience writing narratives (linear, branching, and emergent) that are engaging, fulfilling, and highly replayable.

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🎓 Education

Vancouver Film School (VFS)

Advanced Production Program on Game Design

New York University (Tisch)

Game Design Program
(non-degree)

📺 Interests

- Game Modification
- Mechanical Design
- Law & Philosophy
- Machine Learning
- Synthetic Biology

🏆 Awards

#5 Best PC Game of All Time

PC Gamer Magazine
Crusader Kings 3

Best Strategy Game

Strategy & Wargaming
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