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General Field of Work

Computer Science / Programming

Undergraduate Education

Southern Connecticut State University for Physics Minor: No reply

Undergraduate Non-Academic Interests: Clubs, Programming

Graduate Education

No reply for No reply

Professional Societies or Organizations

No reply

What high school academic interests led to your college & career path?

For the most part my scientific studies and experience

Please briefly describe your path to your current job

I've worked in a lot of industries developing all kinds of software, my current job is kind of the culmination of these experiences.

What are a few things that you like best about your job?

I like the "mental gymnastics" of my work, and the near constant change in the field.

What are the most important technical skills needed in your job?

For me the most important thing has been the ability to continue to learn new things and different ways of thinking. I've also pursued my job as best I can as a professional, following professional standards. Casual commentators might think of me as a "hacker", but I am far from that.

What are the most important non-technical skills needed in your job?

The ability to write well is crucially important. Being able to communicate/talk with other people in other disciplines is very important, just being able to "get along" and reach compromises that work is vital.

What are some of the most challenging aspects of your job?

Overcoming the resistance to change in a way that brings people on board rather than alienates or isolates them. Sometimes getting others to adhere to the same level of professionalism as I do can be frustrating.

Any advice for students about to begin their college career in September?

No reply