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PERSONAL STATEMENT

I am a highly creative, enthusiastic, well-organized computer programmer and video game developer with a strong background in education and the process of instructional design. My long-term goal is to change people's lives, including mine, by taking advantage of the powerful capacity of video games to develop creative game-based learning environments and integrate these games into a new educational paradigm that is called Education 4.0.

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KEY SKILLS

❖ Programming Languages

- C
- C Plus Plus
- C Sharp
- High-level shader language (HLSL)
- SQL
- Basic / Visual Basic
- HTML
- Java /JavaScript
- PHP

❖ Software Design

- UML
- QA: Dynamic
- QA: Static

❖ Software Packages

- **Video and Image Editing**
 - Sony Vegas
 - Photoshop
 - Adobe Premiere
 - After Affects
 - Ulead Video Studio
 - Final Cut Pro
- **3D Graphics Software**
 - 3D Max
 - Maya

- Strata
- Daz 3D
- Blender
- **Graphic Engines and Tools**
 - OpenGL
 - DirectX
 - Unity 3D
 - Unreal
- **Web Design Tools and Software**
 - Dreamweaver
 - Flash
 - FrontPage
 - WS_FTP Pro
 - Coding using text editing tools
- **Database Management Software**
 - Microsoft Access
 - SQL Server 2008
 - MySQL
- **Statistic Software**
 - SAS
 - R/ R-Studio
 - SPSS
- **Educational Tools and Authoring Software**
 - Lectora
 - Authorware
 - Desire2Learn
 - Blackboard
- **Revision Control System**
 - Perforce Software
- **Hardware Programming**
 - MS. Kinect 1, 2
 - Oculus Rift
 - Leap Motion
 - Vive
 - Robotics
 - Electroencephalography & Brainwaves Control
 - Tablet App Development
 - MS. Kinect 1, 2
- **Artificial Intelligence**
 - Machine Learning & Agents
 - Artificial Neural & Perceptron
 - DNA inspired Algorithms
- **Office Application**
 - Microsoft Office

<p>EDUCATION</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ PhD. Curriculum and Instruction (01/2014 – 8/2018) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>GPA:</i> 3.93 (out of <u>4:00</u>) - <i>School Name:</i> Purdue University - <i>Location:</i> West Lafayette, Indiana, U.S. ○ MS. Instructional Design and Technology (IDT) (01/2012- 12/2013) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>GPA:</i> <u>4.00</u> (out of <u>4:00</u>) - <i>School Name:</i> Western Illinois University - <i>Location:</i> Macomb, Illinois, U.S. ○ BA. Computer Science Education (2005-2009) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>GPA:</i> <u>4.80</u> with First Class Honors (out of <u>5:00</u>) - <i>School Name:</i> University of Tabuk - <i>Location:</i> Tabuk, Saudi Arabia.
<p>AWARDS & EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Received Blackboard Catalyst Award- Community Engagement - 2022 ❖ Received The President of University of Tabuk Award for Research and Innovation- The Most Cited Research in Humanities and Social Science- 2022 ❖ Received Blackboard Catalyst Award- Leading Change - 2021 ❖ Received the Prince Fahad Award for Scientific Excellence - 2020 ❖ Received the AECT Linear Learning Award [First Place]- 2018 ❖ Received the Dean’s Doctoral Scholarship/ Award– 2018 ❖ Won the AECT-3MT Competition [Grand Prize Winner]– 2017 ❖ Received the AECT Immersive Learning Award [First Place]- 2016 ❖ Received the Frank B. DeBruicker Graduate Scholarship/ Award for research achievements - 2016 ❖ Inducted into the Pi Lambda Theta- 2015 ❖ Inducted into the Golden Key International Honour Society- 2014 ❖ Inducted into the Honor Socitiy.org- 2014 ❖ Inducted into the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi- 2013 ❖ Received the Prince Fahad Award for Scientific Excellence - 2009

PARTICIPATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Finalist in the Serious Games Showcase & Challenge – The World's Largest Modeling, Simulation, & Training Conference (I/TSEC) - 2014. Link ❖ Serious Beta/Near Release Runner Up in the 2015 MassDigi Game Challenge. Link
RESEARCH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Selected Publications Alshammari, A. (2021). Captology in game-based education: a theoretical framework for the design of persuasive games. <i>Interactive Learning Environments</i>, 1-20. Alshammari, A. N. (2018). <i>She is a computer scientist: a quantitative comparison between the effectiveness of game design studios and robotics at enhancing women's learning of, self-efficacy in, attitudes toward, and domain identification with computer science</i>. (Dissertation). Retrieved from ProQuest Dissertations & Theses. (No. 10843780) Richardson, J., Ashby, I., Alshammari, A., Cheng, Z., Heo, D., Johnson, B., Krause, T., Lee, D., Randolph, A., & Wang, H. (2018). Faculty and Instructional Designers on Building Successful Collaborative Relationships. <i>Submitted to Educational Technology Research and Development (ETRD)</i>. Walker, V., & Alshammari, A. (2018). Experiential Learning Experiences in a 3-D Virtual Environment for Clinical Skill Development: Interviewing and Mental Health Diagnosis Role-Playing. <i>Submitted to Educational Technology Research and Development (ETRD)</i>. Alshammari, A., & Whittinghill, D. (2015). Multiplayer Kinect Serious Games: A Review. <i>International Journal of Game-Based Learning (IJGBL)</i>, 5(3), 45-61. Alshammari, A. N. (2013). <i>A quantitative study of the impact of immersive game-based learning on enhancing vocabulary instruction and acquisition for English language learners</i>. (Master's thesis). Retrieved from ProQuest Dissertations & Theses. (No. 1550492) ❖ Book Chapters Exter, M., Alshammari, A., Fernandez, T., Randolph, A., Chartier, K., Kuo, Y. T., ... & Nemelka, B. (2018). Empowered Guinea Pigs: Stories of Cross-Disciplinary Projects in an Experimental Educational Software Design Course. In <i>Educational Technology and Narrative</i> (pp. 165-175). Springer, Cham.

[Alshammari, A.](#), & Whittinghill, D. (2016). Multiplayer Kinect Serious Games: A Review. *Special and Gifted Education: Concepts, Methodologies, Tools, and Applications: Concepts, Methodologies, Tools, and Applications*, 110.

❖ Proceedings

[Alshammari, A.](#) & Abu-Dawood, S. (2018). Badge-based System to Enhance Graduate Students' Engagement in Educational Conferences. In E. Langran & J. Borup (Eds.), *Proceedings of Society for Information Technology & Teacher Education International Conference* (pp. 511-513). Washington, D.C., United States: Association for the Advancement of Computing in Education (AACE).

Almunive, W. & [Alshammari, A.](#) (2018). Toward A Framework for Designing and Developing Educational Infographics. In E. Langran & J. Borup (Eds.), *Proceedings of Society for Information Technology & Teacher Education International Conference* (pp. 288-292). Washington, D.C., United States: Association for the Advancement of Computing in Education (AACE).

❖ Ongoing Research

[Alshammari, A.](#) (in progress). A Quantitative Study of the Impact of Using Learner-driven and Machine-driven Visualizations on the Enhancement of Computer Programming Education for Novice Learners.

[Alshammari, A.](#) & Exter, M. (in progress). Is Game Design and Development Education at Risk? Perceptions Among Gaming Professionals, Students and Educators on Game Education.

❖ Peer Reviewed Conference Presentations

[Alshammari, A.](#) (2019). *The Effectiveness of Game Design Studios and Robotics at Enhancing Women's Domain Identification with Computer Science*. Concurrent Presentation at AECT International Convention 2019, Las Vegas, NV.

[Alshammari, A.](#) & Aldosimani, T. (2019). *Breaking Down Barriers: How Immersive Learning Technology and Design Studios Can Encourage Saudi Women to Study Engineering?* Roundtable Presentation at AECT International Convention 2019, Las Vegas, NV.

[Alshammari, A.](#) & Aldosimani, T. (2019). *Breaking Down Barriers: How Immersive Learning Technology and Design Studios Can Encourage Saudi Women to Study Engineering?* Roundtable Presentation at AECT International Convention 2019, Las Vegas, NV.

[Alshammari, A.](#) (2019). *Amal's Model: The Effectiveness of Game Design Studios and Robotics at Enhancing Women's Learning of Computer Science*. Concurrent Presentation at the World Conference on Blended Learning. Dubai, UAE.

Bonnett, E., [Alshammari, A.](#), Hopkins, A., Odefunso, A., Zhang, L., & Exter, M. (2018). *Differences in Students' Perceptions of Learning Computer Programming in Rural Settings*. Poster session at AECT International Convention 2018, Kansas City, MO.

[Alshammari, A.](#) (2018). *Perceptions Among Professionals, Students and Educators on Instructional Design and Technology Academic Programs*. Roundtable at AECT International Convention 2018, Kansas City, MO.

Alotibi, S., & [Alshammari, A.](#) (2018). *The Social, Health, and Psychological Impact of Video Games on Young Children*. Concurrent Presentation at AECT International Convention 2018, Kansas City, MO.

Alshehri, K., & [Alshammari, A.](#) (2018). *Saudi Instructional Designers' Perceptions of Usefulness and Ease of Use of Massive Open Online Courses*. Roundtable Presentation at AECT International Convention 2018, Kansas City, MO.

[Alshammari, A.](#) & Abu-dawood, S. (2018). *Badge-based System to Enhance Graduate Students' Engagement in Educational*. Roundtable at Society for Information Technology and Teacher Education 2018.

Almunive, W. & [Alshammari, A.](#) (2018). *Toward A Comprehensive Framework for Designing, Developing, and Evaluating Educational Infographics*. Brief paper at Society for Information Technology and Teacher Education 2018.

[Alshammari, A.](#) (2018). *What Happened to Women in Computer Science? A Literature Review*. Roundtable at The AERA 2018 Annual Meeting.

[Alshammari, A.](#) (2017). *Captology in Education: A Theoretical Framework for the Design of Persuasive Games in Education*. Full Paper Session at AERA 2017 Annual Meeting.

Richardson, J., [Alshammari, A.](#), Ashby, I., Cheng, Z., Heo, D., Johnson, B., Krause, T., Lee, D., Randolph, A., & Wang, H. (2017). *Building Successful Collaborative Relationships between Faculty and Instructional Designers*. Poster Session at AERA 2017 Annual Meeting.

[Alshammari, A.](#) (2017). *Using the Leap Motion Controller (LMC) in Education*. Concurrent Session at AECT International Convention 2017, Jacksonville, FL.

Richardson, J., [Alshammari, A.](#), Ashby, I., Cheng, Z., Heo, D., Johnson, B., Krause, T., Lee, D., Randolph, A., & Wang, H. (2017). *Putting the 'Effective' into Effective Collaborations between Instructional Designers and Faculty*. Concurrent Session at AECT International Convention 2017, Jacksonville, FL.

[Alshammari, A.](#) (2017). *She Sharp: A Literature Review on the Underrepresentation of Women in Computer Science Education*. The 43rd Annual RWE Fall Conference.

Exter, M., [Alshammari, A.](#), Chartier, K., Fernandez, T., Krause, T., Kuo, Y.T., Lancette, S., Nemelka, B. (2016). *Empowered Guinea Pigs: Stories of cross-disciplinary projects in an experimental educational software design course*. Association for Educational Communications and Technology (AECT) 2016 Summer Research Symposium, Bloomington, IN.

[Alshammari, A.](#) & Watson, W. (2016) *Toward a Comprehensive Theoretical Framework of Game-based Learning Design for Education 3.0*. Concurrent Session at AECT International Convention 2016, Las Vegas, NV.

[Alshammari, A.](#) & Exter, M. (2016). *Is Game Design and Development Education at Risk? Perceptions Among Gaming Professionals, Students and Educators on Game Education*. Roundtable Discussion at AECT International Convention 2016, Las Vegas, NV.

[Alshammari, A.](#) (2016). *A Quantitative Study of the Impact of Using Learner-driven and Machine-driven Visualizations on the Enhancement of Computer Programming Education for Novice Learners*. Roundtable Discussion at AECT International Convention 2016, Las Vegas, NV.

Watson, W., [Alshammari, A.](#), Caskurlu, S., & Garcia, B. (2016). *A Teacher Professional Development Framework for Game-Based Learning*. Roundtable Discussion at AECT International Convention 2016, Las Vegas, NV.

[Alshammari, A.](#) (2016). *Tarzan The Programmer- A virtual reality game for learning programming*. Emerging Technology Showcase at AECT International Convention 2016, Las Vegas, NV.

Watson, W., [Alshammari, A.](#), Caskurlu, S., & Garcia, B. (2016). *Massive outreach for mindset change: Design of an attitudinal change game for a MOOC on systems thinking in education*. Concurrent Session at AECT International Convention 2016, Las Vegas, NV.

[Alshammari, A.](#) (2015). *Serious Games Are Not Serious: A Literature Review of the Implementation and Evaluation of Motivation Theories in the Design of Serious Games*. Roundtable Discussion at AECT International Convention 2015, Indianapolis, IN.

[Alshammari, A.](#) (2015). *The Use of Demonstration as a Mechanism for Effective Serious Game Implementation*. Roundtable Discussion at AECT International Convention 2015, Indianapolis, IN.

[Alshammari, A.](#) (2014). *The Shield: By Sword and Knowledge*. Showcase at the Serious Games Showcase & Challenge - SGS&C, Orlando, FL.

❖ **Applied Projects**

[Alshammari, A.](#), Alqarni, T., Alnajedi, F., & Asiri, A., (2009). *Using Computer-Based Tests to Evaluate Students with Visual Disabilities along with Students without Visual Disabilities*. (Applied Project).

❖ **Workshops & Symposium**

[Alshammari, A.](#) (2020). *Serious Game Design and Development*. Workshop at AECT International Convention 2020, Jacksonville, FL.

[Alshammari, A.](#) (2019, March 7). *Games in the age of thinking machines: Leveraging AI to enhance game-based learning*. UNESCO-Mobile Learning Week on Artificial Intelligence for Sustainable Development, Paris, France.

[Alshammari, A.](#) (2019, February 27). *Serious Game Design and Development*. Global Educational Supplies & Solutions, Dubai, UAE.

[Alshammari, A.](#) (2019, February 20). *New Trends in Higher Education*. University of Tabuk, Tabuk, Saudi Arabia.

[Alshammari, A.](#) (2019, February 18). *Higher Education Pedagogy*. University of Tabuk, Tabuk, Saudi Arabia.

[Alshammari, A.](#) (2018, October 23). *Serious Game Design and Development*. Submitted to AECT International Convention 2018, Kanas City, MO.

[Alshammari, A.](#) (2017, November 7). *Serious Game Design and Development*. Workshop at AECT International Convention 2017, Jacksonville, FL.

[Alshammari, A.](#) (2017, November 7). *Serious Game Design and Development*. Workshop at AECT International Convention 2017, Jacksonville, FL.

[Alshammari, A.](#) (2017, September 19). *Game Design Studio*. A Month-Long Workshop at Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN.

	<p>Alshammari, A. (2017, September 19). <i>Coding and Robotics</i>. A Month-Long Workshop at Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN.</p> <p>Alshammari, A. (2017, October 1). <i>Educational Game Design</i>. Workshop at Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN.</p> <p>Alshammari, A. (2016, October 17). <i>Serious Game Design and Development</i>. Workshop at AECT International Convention 2016, Las Vegas, NV.</p>
POSITIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Consultant of eSports at Saudi Esports Federation (2022- Present) ❖ Consultant of e-Learning at Prince Norah University (2021-2022) ❖ Executive Managing Director at NEOM Academy- (2020 – 2021) ❖ Dean of E-learning and Distance Education at University of Tabuk (2019-Present). ❖ Director of the Curricula and Study Plans Administration at University of Tabuk (2019-Present). ❖ Vice-Dean of E-learning and Distance Education (2018-2019). ❖ Supervisor of the Academic Affairs Unit at Faculty of Education and Arts– University of Tabuk (2018-2019). ❖ Consultant to Vice Rector for Academic Affairs– University of Tabuk (2018-2019).
COMMITTEES	<p>Member of the following committees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ College of Tourism and Hospitality at University of Tabuk ❖ College of Design and Arts at University of Tabuk ❖ Curricula and Study Plans at University of Tabuk ❖ Expenditure Efficiency at University of Tabuk ❖ Electronic Transactions at University of Tabuk ❖ Academic Affairs at University of Tabuk ❖ Internship and Practical Training at University of Tabuk ❖ The E-Learning and Distance Education Deans in Saudi Arabia
EMPLOYMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Consultant of e-Learning & Distance Education (2018 – Present) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Location: Prince Norah University. ○ Tasks: Consultant for the establishment of Norah Academy ❖ Executive Managing Director (2018 – Present) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Location: NEOM Academy. ○ Tasks: Conducting Need Assessment, Developing the strategic plan, developing academic policies, building business model, and more. ❖ Assistant Professor (2018 – Present)

- **Location:** Department of Curriculum and Instruction at Faculty of Education and Arts at University of Tabuk.
- **Tasks:** Instructing future computer science teachers by providing them with preparation, guidance, and support.
- **Responsibilities**
 - Dean of E-learning and Distance Education for Academic Development
 - Director of the Curricula and Study Plans Administration
 - Supervisor of the Academic Affairs Unit at Faculty of Education and Arts
 - Consultant to Vice Rector for Academic Affairs.
 - Member of the University's Website Enhancement Committee.
 - Member of the Faculty of Design and Arts Committee
 - Teaching the following Courses:
 - Research Methods
 - Communication Skills
 - Educational Software Design
 - Technology Integration in the Classroom
 - Thesis/Applied Project Adviser.

❖ **Graduate Research Assistant (2016 – 2017)**

- **Location:** Department of Computer Graphics Technology at Purdue Polytechnic Institute at Purdue University.
- **Tasks:** A computer programmer and a video game designer/developer.
- **Responsibilities**
 - Level Design.
 - Computer programming.
 - Usability Testing.
 - Game Design.
 - Game Development.
 - Instructional Design.
 - Version Control.

❖ **Teaching Assistant\Lecturer (2010 – Present)**

- **Location:** Department of Curriculum and Instruction at Faculty of Education and Arts at University of Tabuk.
- **Tasks:** Instructing future computer science teachers by providing them with preparation, guidance, and support.
- **Responsibilities**
 - Member of Faculty Affairs Unit.
 - Member of Academic Accreditation Unit.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Webmaster for Faculty of Education and Arts. - Member of the Internship in Education Committee. - Representative of the University in the International Exhibition and Conference of the Higher Education – 2010 - Representative of the faculty of Education and Arts in the University's Exhibition 2010 - Teaching the following Courses: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Computer Teaching Strategies ▪ Teaching Practicum ▪ School Administration ▪ Introduction to Computer Science <p>❖ Computer Operator (2009- 2010)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Location: Municipality of Tabuk. ○ Responsibilities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Contacting clients and arranging meetings. - Office Administration. - Operating devices such as: computers, fax machine and copier machine.
TRAINING	<p>❖ English as a Second Language (6 months)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Location: WESL at Western Illinois University ○ Achievement: Completed the entire program in 6 months, earning an A in all classes. <p>❖ 3D Graphics Design (3 days)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Location: The National Center for E-Learning and Distance Learning ○ Achievement: Completed the regular training and achieving all the objectives. <p>❖ Using Web 2.0 Technologies in the Classroom (3 days)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Location: The National Center for E-Learning and Distance Learning ○ Achievement: Completed the regular training and achieving all the objectives.
EXTERNAL LEADERSHIP	<p>❖ Project Manager- NEOM and University of Tabuk Scholarship Preparation Program (Fall 2019).</p> <p>❖ Project Manager- NEOM and University of Tabuk English Summer program (Summer 2019).</p> <p>❖ Founder and CEO at DynamicX [an indie team] (2009- Present).</p> <p>❖ Group Admin at Mubtath (مبتعث) [social media account for international students] (2018- Present).</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ VP of Marketing Design at Purdue Association of Learning Design and Technology (2015- 2016). ❖ Webmaster at Purdue Golden Key [International Honor Society] (2015- 2016). ❖ VP of Marketing at Purdue Arab Society- (2015- 2016).
<p>RESEARCH COMMITTEES & MEMBERSHIPS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Reviewer for the Association for Educational Communications and Technology (AECT): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Systems Thinking & Change ○ Research & Theory ○ Emerging Learning Technologies ○ Culture, Learning and Technology ○ Design and Development ○ Design and Development Showcase ○ Emerging Technology Showcase ❖ Committee member at the 3MT competition- Association for Educational Communications and Technology (2018). ❖ Member at the Research on Women and Education (RWE) SIG of the American Educational Research Association. ❖ Member at the Association for Educational Communications and Technology (AECT). ❖ Member at the Games Innovation Laboratory [Research Team] (2014- Present). ❖ Member at the Serious Games Center [Research Team] (2014- Present). ❖ Member at the American Educational Research Association (AERA).
<p>CONFERENCES</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ World Conference on Blended Learning, Dubai, UAE-2019 ❖ UNESCO-Mobile Learning Week on Artificial Intelligence for Sustainable Development —2019 ❖ Global Educational Supplies & Solutions, Dubai, UAE — 2019 ❖ Association for Educational Communications and Technology (AECT) — 2018. ❖ The International Conference on Education Evaluation—2018 ❖ The 43rd Annual Research on Women in Education Conference—2017. ❖ American Educational Research Association (AERA) — 2017.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Association for Educational Communications and Technology (AECT) — 2017. ❖ Association for Educational Communications and Technology (AECT)— 2016. ❖ Association for Educational Communications and Technology (AECT) — 2015. ❖ The World's Largest Modeling, Simulation, & Training Conference (I/ITSEC)—2014.
GENERAL SKILLS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Languages: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ English- Second Language ○ Arabic – First Language
TEACHING AND RESEARCH INTERESTS	Virtual Reality – Augmented Reality – Computer Programming – Robotics – Game Design and Development – Curriculum Design – Learning Design and Technology – Women Education
OTHERS	Nominated to the UNESCO King Hamad Bin Isa Al-Khalifa Prize for the Use of ICT in Education- 2022
PERSONAL INTERESTS	Reading –Social Activities – Traveling – Wrestling- Acting– Cooking
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