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Language Skills

Language	Read	Write	Speak	Understand	Peer Review
English	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
French	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
Portuguese	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Spanish; Castilian	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No

Degrees

- 2022/6 Doctorate, Software Engineering, Concordia University
Supervisors: Fabio Petrillo, 2018/5 - 2022/5; Yann-Gaël Guéhéneuc, 2018/5 - 2022/5
- 2017/1 Master's Thesis, Computer Science, Universidade Federal de Santa Maria
- 2014/1 Bachelor's, Computer Science, Universidade Regional do Estado do Rio Grande do Sul

Recognitions

- 2021/9 - 2022/8 Concordia Accelerator Award - 5,000
Concordia University
Prize / Award
Full-time doctoral students can apply for a Concordia Accelerator Award, valued at \$5,000, between their 9th and 14th term. The award was created as an incentive for students to graduate faster.

User Profile

Research Specialization Keywords: software-engineering, software-testing, game-development, deep-reinforcement-learning, empirical-studies

Employment

- 2024/7 Professor
Computer Science, Science, Ontario Tech University
Full-time, Assistant Professor
Tenure Status: Tenure Track

- 2023/10 - 2024/6 Postdoctoral fellow
Department of Computer Science and Operations Research (DIRO), Université de Montréal
Full-time
Tenure Status: Non Tenure Track
Automated software testing and video game Easter eggs.
- 2022/6 - 2023/9 Postdoctoral Fellow
Département de génie logiciel et des TI, École de technologie supérieure
Full-time
Tenure Status: Non Tenure Track
Supporting requirements specification and testing of a certifiable RTOS product line
- 2022/1 - 2022/4 Teaching Assistant for SOFTWARE ENGINEERING TEAM DESIGN PROJECT
Computer Science and Software Engineering, Concordia University
Part-time, Term
Tenure Status: Non Tenure Track
- 2021/1 - 2021/4 Teaching Assistant for SOFTWARE ENGINEERING TEAM DESIGN PROJECT
Computer Science and Software Engineering, Concordia University
Part-time, Term
Tenure Status: Non Tenure Track
- 2020/9 - 2020/12 Teaching Assistant for SOFTWARE ARCHITECTURE & DESIGN I
Computer Science and Software Engineering, Concordia University
Part-time, Term
Tenure Status: Non Tenure Track
- 2019/9 - 2019/12 Teaching Assistant for SOFTWARE ARCHITECTURE & DESIGN I
Computer Science and Software Engineering, Concordia University
Part-time, Term
Tenure Status: Non Tenure Track
- 2019/1 - 2019/4 Teaching Assistant for SOFTWARE DESIGN METHODOLOGY
Computer Science and Software Engineering, Concordia University
Part-time, Term
Tenure Status: Non Tenure Track
- 2014/1 - 2018/1 Software Engineer
Livid (startup)
Worked daily with open-source software (Linux/Git) and virtualization (Docker) to keep a cohesive development and production environment. Provided support to a legacy application (PHP), focusing on performance improvements, mainly related to Database (MySQL) management. Studied web performance and ways to enhance the users' experience by reducing the page load time. Extended the web-server (Nginx) to handle optimized versions of assets (images, CSS, and JS) using embedded scripts (LUA language).
- 2011/1 - 2013/1 Web Developer
IC1 (startup)
Wrote front-end code (HTML, CSS, and JS) during the inception of "table-less" movement, CSS3, and the extinction of Flash for web. Wrote back-end code (Java, Struts 2, and Hibernate) dealing with database structure (ER models and PostgreSQL) and deployment (TomCat).

Research Funding History

Awarded [n=1]

2021/6 - 2022/6
Collaborator Verifying and Deploying 5G Cloud Infrastructure for Improved Logistic and Communication in Healthcare Facilities Dealing with COVID-19 Patients, Scholarship

Funding Sources:

Mathematics of Information Technology and Complex Systems (MITACS)

Accelerate with Humanitas Solutions

Total Funding - 120,000

Portion of Funding Received - 20,000

Funding Competitive?: Yes

Event Administration

2024/7 - 2024/7 Chair, Foundations of Applied Software Engineering for Games (FaSE4Games'24), Workshop, 2024/7 - 2024/7

2021/11 - 2022/11 Chair, The First International Workshop on Automated Software Engineering for Computer Games -- ASE4Games 2021, Workshop, 2022/11 - 2022/11

2022/10 - 2022/10 Chair, Second International Workshop on Automated Software Engineering for Computer Games -- ASE4Games 2022, Workshop, 2022/10 - 2022/10

Text Interviews

2021/04/07 The video game industry's problems are mostly due to people, not technology, Concordia researchers argue, Concordia University News

Publications

Journal Articles

1. Montandon, J E; Silva, L L; Politowski, C; Prates, D; Bonifácio, A B; El Boussaidi, G. (2024). Unboxing Default Argument Breaking Changes in 1 + 2 Data Science Libraries in Python. Journal of Systems and Software.
Submitted
Refereed?: Yes
2. Ullmann, G C; Guéhéneuc, Y-G; Petrillo, F; Anquetil, N; Politowski, C. (2024). SyDRA: An approach to understand game engine architecture. Entertainment Computing. 52
Published
Refereed?: Yes
3. Montandon, J E; Politowski, C; Silva, L L; Valente, M T; Petrillo, F; Guéhéneuc, Y-G. (2021). What skills do IT companies look for in new developers? A study with Stack Overflow jobs. Information & Software Technology.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: No

4. Politowski, C; Petrillo, F; Ullmann, G C; Guéhéneuc, Y-G. (2021). Game industry problems: An extensive analysis of the gray literature. *Information & Software Technology*. 134
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: No
5. Politowski, C; Petrillo, F; Montandon, J E; Valente, M T; Guéhéneuc, Y-G. (2021). Are game engines software frameworks? A three-perspective study. *Journal of Systems and Software*.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: No
6. Politowski, C; Khomh, F; Romano, S; Scanniello, G; Petrillo, F; Guéhéneuc, Y-G; Maiga, A. (2020). A large scale empirical study of the impact of Spaghetti Code and Blob anti-patterns on program comprehension. *Information & Software Technology*.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: No
7. Politowski, C; Fontoura, L M; Petrillo, F; Guéhéneuc, Y-G. (2018). Learning from the past: A process recommendation system for video game projects using postmortems experiences. *Information & Software Technology*.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: No

Conference Publications

1. D'Angelo, A; Di Sipio, C; Politowski, C; Rubei, R. (2024). PlayMyData: a curated dataset of multi-platform video games. 21st IEEE/ACM International Conference on Mining Software Repositories,
Paper
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Invited?: No
2. Darif, I; Politowski, C; El Boussaidi, G; Benzarti, I; Kpodjedo, S. (2023). A model-driven and template-based approach for requirements specification. 2023 ACM/IEEE 26th International Conference on Model Driven Engineering Languages and Systems (MODELS),
Paper
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Invited?: No
3. Politowski, C; Petrillo, F; El-Boussaidi, G; Ullmann, G C; Guéhéneuc, Y-G. (2023). Assessing Video Game Balance using Autonomous Agents. 7th IEEE/ACM International Workshop on Games and Software Engineering,
Paper
Accepted
Refereed?: Yes, Invited?: No
4. Ullmann, G C; Guéhéneuc, Y-G; Petrillo, F; Anquetil, N; Politowski, C. (2023). An Exploratory Approach for Game Engine Architecture Recovery. 7th IEEE/ACM International Workshop on Games and Software Engineering,
Paper
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Invited?: No
5. Ullmann, Gabriel C; Guéhéneuc, Yann-Gaël; Petrillo, Fabio; Anquetil, Nicolas; Politowski, Cristiano. (2023). Visualising Game Engine Subsystem Coupling. Entertainment Computing 22nd IFIP TC 14 International Conference (ICEC 2023),
Paper
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Invited?: No

6. Ullmann, G C; Guéhéneuc, Y-G; Petrillo, F; Anquetil, N; Politowski, C. (2023). Visualising Game Engine Subsystem Coupling Patterns. International Conference on Entertainment Computing, Paper
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Invited?: No
7. Trabelsi, N; Politowski, C; El Boussaidi, G. (2023). Event driven architecture: An exploratory study on the gap between academia and industry. 2023 IEEE/ACM 5th International Workshop on Software Engineering Research and Practices for the IoT (SERP4IoT), Paper
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Invited?: No
8. Montandon, J E; Silva, L L; Politowski, C; El Boussaidi, G; Valente, M T. (2023). Unboxing default argument breaking changes in Scikit Learn. 2023 IEEE 23rd International Working Conference on Source Code Analysis and Manipulation (SCAM), Paper
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Invited?: No
9. Karami, P; Darif, I; Politowski, C; El Boussaidi, G; Kpodjedo, S; Benzarti, I. (2023). On the impact of development frameworks on mobile apps. 2023 30th Asia-Pacific Software Engineering Conference (APSEC), Conference Date: 2023/12
Paper
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Invited?: No
10. Politowski, C; Guéhéneuc, Y-G; Petrillo, F. (2022). Towards Automated Video Game Testing: Still a Long Way to Go. 6th IEEE/ACM International Workshop on Games and Software Engineering, Paper
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Invited?: No
11. Darif, I; Politowski, C; El Boussaidi, G; Kpodjedo, S. (2022). A Domain Specific Language for the ARINC 653 Specification. IEEE International Conference on Software Reliability Engineering Workshops (ISSRE Wksp), Paper
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Invited?: No
12. Ullmann, G C; Politowski, C; Guéhéneuc, Y-G; Petrillo, F. (2022). Game engine comparative anatomy. International Conference on Entertainment Computing, Paper
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Invited?: No
13. Ullmann, G C; Politowski, C; Guéhéneuc, Y-G; Petrillo, F; Montandon, J E. (2022). Video Game Project Management Anti-patterns. GAS 2022 - 6th International ICSE Workshop on Games and Software Engineering, Conference Date: 2022/5
Paper
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Invited?: No

14. Ullmann, G; Politowski, C; Guéhéneuc, Y-G; Petrillo, F. (2022). What Makes a Game High-rated? Towards Factors of Video Game Success. GAS 2022 - 6th International ICSE Workshop on Games and Software Engineering,
Conference Date: 2022/5
Paper
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Invited?: No
15. Politowski, C; Petrillo, F; Guéhéneuc, Y-G. (2021). A Survey of Video Game Testing. 2nd IEEE/ACM International Conference on Automation of Software Test, AST@ICSE 2021, Madrid, Spain
Conference Date: 2021/5
Paper
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Invited?: No
16. Politowski, C; Petrillo, F; Ullmann, G C; Werly, J de A; Guéhéneuc, Y-G. (2020). Dataset of Video Game Development Problems. MSR'2020: 17th International Conference on Mining Software Repositories, Seoul, Korea, South
Conference Date: 2020/6
Paper
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Invited?: No