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My name is Cohen Belton, and I am a Junior in the Game Design Program. I chose SUNY Canton because of their in-depth program for Game Design with professors who have been in the field. I have been learning skills here to be able to create meaningful stories in the video game medium. In the Spring 26 semester, I studied abroad in Japan! It was a lot of fun to do! I explored the history and culture of Japan, learned some Japanese, and strengthened my intercultural-communication skills to help the video games I make be able to reach audiences outside of the United States, as well as be able to work in studios overseas. Video games like the Kingdom Hearts series, Persona series, and Detroit Become Human are just some of my favorite games that have changed my perspective on aspects in my life for the better, and my goal is to be able to work on games in the future that can do exactly that for other players.

I am a proud New Yorker from Plattsburgh, which is 2 hours east from campus. Some of my favorite hobbies are fixing computers, hanging out with my friends, and collecting/playing rhythm games with their weird controllers! While there are a lot of things to do on campus, some of my favorites are exploring the hiking trails and meeting people from the nearby schools. The walks are a great way to relax after class. I am also the captain for SUNY Canton’s Valorant Esports team, which has a really fun competitive scene with other schools in the league. While the school is small in terms of size, the things to do on campus make up for it, and it never feels boring here.



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