Profile

I'm a creative UX designer and UX strategist passionate about crafting innovative digital products that people find meaningful and useful.

In the past I worked as software developer for small, mid-size and large firms in England and Germany, writing code in C, C++ and Visual Basic for office communication and geographic information systems. I closely worked with users while designing and implementing software modules for their specific industry needs. I also worked as project manager overseeing beta-test runs for communication systems.

Now, after raising three kids, I want to apply my knowledge and my past experience as software developer and project manager to work in the field of UX design and UX strategy.

I'm an inquisitive strategic thinker, rigorous, creative, invested, always hungry to learn, proactive and cheerful. I'm Bilingual in German and English and speak French well.

Translation, Transcription, Tutoring

LogueWorks

▶ [2015 – 2016] Worked as freelancer doing medical transcription and translation for Verilogue

Tutoring

▶ [2015-2016] Online Tutoring in German using WizIQ, Scribblar and Skype

Volunteering Experience in Media, Documentary Film Making and Research

The Steve Mayo Show, WVOX 1460AM

▶ [2013 – 2016] — Co-host of the Steve Mayo Show (New Rochelle, Metropolitan New York)

Crowdfunding for Documentary Film about the Financial Crisis

▶ [2014-2015] Organized Indiegogo Crowdfunding campaign to raise money for documentary Subprime 2.0

Research Project

▶ [2013] Organized and conducted research project about executive agency rulemaking and presented findings before congressional staff members in DC during an event organized by the American Enterprise Institute

Work Experience in Software Development and Project Management (1992-1997)

Smallworld Systems Ltd (Cambridge, UK)

▶ [1995 – 1997] Consultant for Geographic Information Systems Software development; Account and Project Management; Business Development

Lloyds Bank (London, UK)

▶ [1994] Software Developer

Member of the Lotus Notes development team in the Information Systems department

Software AG (Darmstadt, Germany)

▶ [1992-1994] Software Developer Member of the development team for Entire Office Workstation, Software AG's CON-NECT office communication system

Born und Partner (Darmstadt, Germany)

▶ [1992] Software Developer
Implemented programs in C and CBase for an information management system designed for a German manufacturing firm

Work Experience in Teaching (1985-1989)

Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy (Medford, MA)

▶ [1987-1989] Teaching Assistant
Teaching Assistant in the Department of Security Studies at the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy

Tufts University (Medford, MA)

▶ [1985-1987] German Instructor
German instructor at Tufts University. Taught several introductory semester courses in German to undergraduates

Education

- ▶ [1991] Diploma, Institute for Data Processing and Functional Programming (Frankfurt, Germany) Study of computer science, programming and microeconomics
- ▶ [1987 –1989] MA, Fletcher School of Law & Diplomacy (Medford, USA) Study of international relations, economics and Russian and Eastern European history
- ▶ [1985 –1987] MA, Tufts University (Medford, USA) Study of drama; wrote MA thesis about "The Function of Theatre in the Totalitarian State: Theatre in the Soviet Occupation Zone/German Democratic Republic 1945 to 1953"
- ▶ [1982 –1985] BA, University of Tübingen (Germany) Study of German literature, history and philosophy
- ▶ [1982] High School Diploma (Hamburg, Germany)

Computing

Programming Languages

C, C++, Visual Basic, Lotus Notes, Magik, CBase, Cobol, Assembler

Database Management

SQL

▶ Website Design and Development

HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript, Google Drawing, Moqups, Marvel

▶ GIS Software

Smallworld Geographical Information System

Audio and Video Editing Software Audacity, Adobe Premiere Pro

▶ General Software

Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, Outlook, PowerPoint), Adobe Acrobat, Constant Contact

Social Media (Setup, Administration, Content)
 Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, YouTube, LinkedIn

Languages

German (native speaker), French (good), Russian (used to be good, now rusty)

Hobbies

Sunfish sailing, theatre, yoga, cooking

Board Memberships

Member of the Board of Directors of the Purchase Community House, Purchase, NY Member of the Board of Directors of SEAS (Society for the Education of American Sailors)