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PROGRAMME EXPERIENCE

Technical Product Planning LeadApr 2025, Philadelphia & New York

@ Design Challenge Competition held by Wharton ID Club & JPMorgan Chase

- Designed a browser extension to contextualize Chase product info for international students, enhancing comprehension and conversion.
- Built a logic framework combining AI signals, product structure, and user journeys to deliver personalized, stage-based content.
- Developed API-based recommendation flow; won Chase Design Challenge and earned endorsement from CPO Rohan Amin and the Product & Data team.

User Experience Strategy & Research Lead @ Amtrak First-Time Rider Experience Optimization Project Jan 2025 – May 2025, Philadelphia

- Redefined target users from "first-time riders" to those anxious due to unfamiliar travel, shifting research toward behavioral patterns.
- Identified fragmented guidance as the core UX gap; proposed a phased digital system (app, signage, alerts) with high-fidelity prototypes to bridge service touchpoints.
- Validated insights through stakeholder buy-in and partial adoption in Amtrak's 2025 app roadmap.

Automated Generation of Mobile Shopping Guide Interface UI with Alibaba Sep 2021 – Feb 2022 @ International Design Institute of Zhejiang University

- Conducted experimental design and data analysis to explore the focus areas and layout preferences of different user groups during various stages of e-commerce shopping on a platform.
- Developed an intelligent layout framework aligned with experimental conclusions and research, integrating modules for user intent recognition, layout element selection, and UI interface generation.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Product Manager Intern @ NIO

Oct 2022 - Jan 2023, Shanghai

- Improved inefficiencies in the old procurement system by identifying user needs, proposing optimization solutions in PRD.
- Analytics on transforming data, utilizing python to monitor procurement material data circulation.
- · Planned and conduct user tests.
- Conducted a detailed check-in plan aligning with the product develop stages, enhancing the product-develop teams collaboration efficiency.

Interaction Desginer Intern

June 2022 - Oct 2022, Beijing

@ Meituan

- Engaged in company's design system iteration, conduct ux design of beginner's guide and graph generation module.
- Was responsible for company's ux iteration project of front-end delivery system, working with product manager and developed team to deliver new system design.

Research Assistant

June 2023 - Sep 2023, Zhejiang

@ International Design Institute of Zhejiang University

 Cooperated on the smart fabric project 'IntelliTex', published the paper on ACM Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI) 2024, received the Best Paper Nomination Award.

EDUCATION -

University of Pennsylvania | Master in Integrated Product Design(M: IPD)

- GPA: 3.90/4.00
- Core Courses: Design Process, Problem Framing, Big Data Analytics, Engineering Entrepreneurship

Zhejiang University | Bachelor Degree in Product Design

- GPA: 3.87/4.00
- Core Courses: Design Psychology, Business Innovation Design

SKILLS -

User Research

- User Interviews, Contextual Inquiry, Surveys
- Usability Testing, Journey Mapping, A/B Testing, Task Analysis
- Story Board&Persona Creation, Insight Synthesis, Problem Framing

Design

- Adobe Sets: Photoshop, Illustration, Premere Pro, After Effects, InDesign, Lightroom
- Figma, Sketch
- Rhino, Blender, Keyshot, Spline
- 3D printing, Laser cutting
- Photography, Filming, Davinci

Programming

- · Python, Java, SQL
- · Pandas, Polars, DuckDB

Language

- Mandarin
- English

Other

 Unsplash photography account: 400000 views, 5000 downloads