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EXPERIENCE

Technical Support Engineer & Quality Assurance Specialist, Adyen, Jan 2023 – Present

- Resolved technical issues related to terminal firmware, hardware, and payment processing for in-person payment merchants
- Developed and refined company-wide guidelines for evaluating the quality of support services, enhancing overall efficiency and effectiveness.
- Conducted qualitative and quantitative analyses of support metrics, identifying trends and implementing improvements to drive continuous enhancement in support functions.
- Co-Lead of Employee Resource Group (Feb 2023 Present) and DEI Committee Member (Jun 2023 Present), driving initiatives to promote inclusivity and diversity.
- Led calibration sessions for quality assurance volunteers, fostering consistent evaluation standards
- Created a company-wide pronoun resource and led cultural changes to enhance inclusivity around pronouns.

Creative Technical Expert, The Giant Room, May 2022 – Dec 2022

- Taught coding classes in JavaScript and Scratch to children aged 8-10 and led augmented reality workshops for children aged 5-10, fostering early tech skills and creativity.
- Assisted students with creative problem-solving and prototype development using CAD software, laser cutters, and littleBits, enhancing hands-on learning experiences.

Student Evaluator, *Dean Hope Center, Sep 2019 – June 2022*

• Administered and analyzed psychoeducational tests, preparing data-driven reports to guide educational strategies and support, similar to assessing learning needs and evaluating program metrics.

Programming Supervisor 92Y Camps, June 2019 - Aug 2019

• Designed and supervised activities for 145 campers, managed a team of counselors, and ensured a smooth operational experience, demonstrating skills in program management and stakeholder collaboration.

EDUCATION

Certificate in Software Engineering, JavaScript Web Development Immersive, Fullstack Academy, Apr 2022

Master of Arts in School Psychology, Teachers College, Columbia University, GPA: 3.9, Oct 2021

Bachelor of Arts in English & Psychology, Vassar College, June 2016

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Out In Tech Pride Keynote Speaker, "They/Them Everywhere: Pronouns in the Workplace", Jun 2023