Ralph Chang

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SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

- Proficient in User-Centered Design (UCD), including user research, testing, wireframing, prototyping low and high fidelity, storyboarding, and creating mockups
- Strong Front-end Development skill with demonstrated experience in React.js, Javascript, HTML, CSS, , alongside API integration and backend engineering skills in Node.js, Express.js, Python, MySQL
- Proven ability to manage timelines, set expectations, and align stakeholders and team members through effective communication, with demonstrated experience

EDUCATION

University of Washington, Seattle, WA

Expected June 2026

Master of Science, Human Centered Design and Engineering (HCDE)

 Relevant coursework (through fall 2024): User-Centered Design, Theoretical Foundations Of Human Centered Design And Engineering, Usability Testing, Visual Communication

The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX

August 2020 - May 2023

Bachelor of Arts, Sociology with a Minor in Computer Science

Relevant coursework: Social Research Methods, Elements of Software Engineer, Elements of Databases

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Product Engineer, UT-Austin, Austin, TX

May 2023 – December 2023

- Created a web application for the UT Sociology Department, enabling 20+ researchers to analyze the Survey of Consumer Finance data without relying on specialized tools like R or Python.
- Designed and developed a statistical analysis interface and an interactive data tree map integrated with codebook data, which features over 23,000 records per triennial study, using React.js
- Conducted user interviews and usability testing to optimize data discoverability and tool usability
- Deployed the app on Azure using a Node.js backend, Express.js for APIs, and a MySQL database

Web Design and Development Freelancer, Austin, TX

July 2023 – October 2023

- Designed and developed websites that aligned with organizational goals, such as driving 200+ visitors to organization's social media in three months
- Facilitated alignment among stakeholders by clearly communicating goals, expectations, design outcomes, feature prioritization, and project timelines

UI/UX Designer, Qwell Community Foundation, Austin, TX

February 2023 – May 2023

- Collaborated with 20+ cross-functional team members to develop an MVP for identifying LGBTQIA+ friendly venues
- Created high-fidelity prototypes to enhance the well-being survey process in partnership with UT-Austin
- Facilitated the handover between design and engineering teams by translating design concepts into actionable engineering solutions

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

Web Design Intern, Future Force, Seattle, WA

October 2024 - November 2024

• Redesigned a website on Wix to enhance user experience and ensure compliance with WCAG standards

Software Engineer Intern, Shaachi, Redwood City, CA

October 2023 - January 2024

Developed a streamlined file uploading system with Python and maintained the web application on AWS