Hello, Elastic

I'm Nick Adams, a Designer with about 10 years of experience designing everything from design systems to web and mobile apps.

I'd love to be a part of your team.



Who Am I?

Most recently I've been a Product Designer at Hudl. I've been there for 6+ years where I've worked on a wide variety of projects — mobile apps, web apps, design systems, design ops, user research, etc.

Why Am I Applying?

I've realized that I really enjoy the technical side of software design, and I'm looking for an opportunity where I can dive more into that. I want to build what I design. I want to talk about data models as much as typography. I want to be in a code editor as much as a design tool. I like to think in systems and create better workflows, and I want to be able to communicate and collaborate with engineering. Elastic seems like a place where I could do just that.

In the past I've learned Ruby on Rails to build a remote job board, I've learned React to work on another side project with some colleagues, I've built my own CSS (Sass) and HTML foundations libraries, and my portfolio site itself is custom built using Jekyll and deployed to Netlify. None of that is super advanced engineering, but it's the kind of work I've found most satisfying. Being able to execute and contribute to the implementation of software is important to me — not just designing interfaces to be handed-off.

I'm looking for a situation where I can contribute across the board like that. From product positioning and problem definition, to design, all the way through to implementation. I was actually referred to Elastic by a former colleage, Chris Roberson, for this very reason. He felt Elastic was just this kind of product team.

I've also been working remotely for 8+ years, so distributed teams are something I've totally comfortable with.

In closing, I'd love a chance to talk about my work and my experience to see if there is a good fit. I've used Swiftype in the past, so that is a very interesting product to me. But I'd also be interested in any other opportuinities, should you see a better fit (Chris mentioned the Kibana team as well).

Thank you for your time and consideration!

- NICK ADAMS