### Kristine Mendoza

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#### **EDUCATION**

# Carnegie Mellon University University of Madeira

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Masters in Human-Computer Interaction, School of Computer Science

## Fordham University, Cum Laude May 2006

B.A. Economics

B.A. International Political Economy

#### Oxford University

Junior Year Abroad, 2004 - 2005 Philosophy, Politics and Economics

#### **DESIGN METHODS**

Participatory Design Contextual Inquiry Usability Testing Heuristic Evaluations Think Aloud Sketching Wireframing Storyboards

Personas and Scenarios

#### **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

Illustrator/InDesign/Photoshop Balsamiq/Axure Keynote

#### **VOLUNTEER**

Women's Shelter, St Ignatious Loyola Soup Kitchen, St. Francis Xavier Job Readiness Mentor, Streetwise Partners HIV Outreach, Global Outreach: Romania Tutor, City Squash

#### **INTERESTS**

Yoga ,salsa dancing, cooking

#### **PROJECTS**

#### Wow!Systems, Jan - Present

Product and User Experience Designer for new writing application; will be deployed on iOS in early 2014

- Worked with a multi-disciplinary student team to narrow down focus on an undefined product using human-centered research techniques
- Interviewed over 30 writers, both on-site and remotely
- Created concepts based on feedback, generated over 50 product ideas
- · Defined product using personas, scenarios and use cases
- · Built paper and mid-fi prototypes, which include interactions

#### Mambu, June - Aug. 2013

User Experience Intern

- Conducted usability testing of Software at two microfinance companies in the Philippines
- Performed opened-ended research on technology for credit officers in the field

#### **EXPERIENCE**

#### Patch.com, Sept 2010 - Dec 2011

Researcher, Business Directory

- · Composed original content for community-focused digital media startup
- Researched relevant, accurate and most up-to-date information on business acoss industries
- Cultivated relationships with business stakeholders to promote brand and generate advertising campaigns

#### Police Athletic League, Mar 2010 – Jan 2011

**Educational Coordinator** 

- Facilitated group workshops for 30 teenagers in the NYC Juvenile Justice System; themes included team building, communication and personal accountability
- Assisted in creation of intern program, one that combined work, tutoring and community service
- Tutored all subjects with traditional and out of the box teaching methods

#### Achievement First, Sept 2008 - Sept 2010

Tutor

- Assessed literacy and math for elementary and middle school children
- Tailored and iterated sessions according to tests and standards
- Piloted Leveled Literacy Summer Program