Dear Selection Committee,

I would like to be considered for the User Interface Designer role currently advertised at Cambridge University Press.

Currently I work as a Web Designer and Front End Developer at the Department for Continuing Education at the University of Oxford. In my current position my responsibilities include the production of new online courses, and the maintenance of existing ones in a wide range of academic disciplines, including Medieval History or Computer Science. I design new user interface elements for the e-learning courses, such as scalable and responsive styles for table elements, which replace the previous default look and behaviour, ultimately making them more appealing and engaging. During my university studies I became an expert of cartography, a subject focusing on communicating complex information in a visual language to any kinds of audience. I build on this expertise for interface design.

I am experienced with following and making entirely new style guides. I work on the design and development of interactive page modules as my primary focus. These successfully heighten engagement from our users, evidenced by feedback from them. I need to produce my designs for the interactives based on a short brief written by the courses’ authors and translate that into a working product.

I consider ease of use for everyone regardless of abilities exceptionally important and therefore I also work on increasing accessibility across our course pages. I have a good understanding of requirements for supporting people of any kinds of needs and ensuring the same level of value one can achieve from the online material I design and build, such as providing text alternatives for non-text content or ensuring the content can be presented through a screen reader.

As part of a multi-disciplinary team I work collaboratively with project managers, academic subject specialists, pedagogy experts and other digital creatives. In my previous role I was participating in the management of stakeholder expectations as a large part of my job.

I am confident that I can bring value to Cambridge University Press with my skills and experience but above all with my desire to create pleasing user experience through my interface designs. I genuinely enjoy empathising with the users’ requirements first and foremost and I believe in this role I could successfully support your design process with my passion for this. I view the Cambridge University Press a prestigious and respected organisation and I would be happy to join your team. I invite you to view my portfolio at <https://csomosb.github.io>

Yours faithfully,

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