Hannah McGowan

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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, BERKELEY

Aug 2018 – May 2022

Bachelor of Arts in Cognitive Science

Bachelor of Arts in Economics

Relevant Coursework: Front-end Web Architecture, Computational Models of Cognition, Perception, Philosophy of Mind, Econometrics, Game Theory, Data Structures, Techniques of Data Science

WORK EXPERIENCE

COMPASS @ CODE FOR SAN FRANCISCO

Jan 2023 - Present

Full Stack Engineer

- Contributed to the open-source development of a scalable app aimed at improving student success by centralizing IEP data collection and management processes for special education staff.
- Collaborated with cross-functional teams of designers and developers to understand the desires of and create useful interfaces for diverse user groups.
- Incorporated the design system and responsive design principles into the app's interface.

COGNITIVE SCIENCE STUDENT ASSOCIATION

May 2020 – Aug 2022

Tech Director

- Redesigned the website interface with a focus on user-centric features and information architecture, reducing redundant information by 30% and increasing overall accessibility.
- Conducted frequent user testing and feedback sessions to gather data on website usability and visual design, leading to a 20% increase in user satisfaction.
- Increased operational efficiency by streamlining the development and update process through the creation of a Github repository for the new website.
- Contributed to the planning and financial management of the successful Berkeley CSSA conference, attracting over 100 attendees, several intriguing researchers, and an interdisciplinary range of notable speakers.

PROJECTS

DISCOVERSPOTIFY

Personal Exploration

 Designed, developed and deployed a web app that leverages the Spotify Web API to analyze user listening habits and generate personalized playlist and song recommendations.

EXPRESSO

Design Team Prototype

- Conducted comprehensive user research through surveys and interviews to inform the design of a desktop organization web application.
- Created detailed user personas, user flows, wireframes, and a visually striking prototype to showcase in a pitch deck to industry professionals.

ADDITIONAL

Technical: HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript, Typescript, Git, React, Next.js, NextAuth, Tailwind CSS, Material UI, Python, Java, SQL, PostgreSQL, Recoil, Node.js, Docker, Three.js

Software: Figma, Adobe XD, Blender, Maya, Adobe Illustrator, Adobe Photoshop

Design: User Research, Information Architecture, Prototyping, Competitive Analysis, User Personas, Wireframes

Languages: English fluency; Spanish professional proficiency; Korean basic knowledge

Certifications: Google UX Design Professional Certificate