

about

As a designer and technologist, I have always been obsessed with discovering how technology may be deployed to deliver an alternative future. As a graduate design researcher, I have learned to temper this obsession through critical theory and a range of ethnographic research techniques that help to resist the internal inertia that new technologies tend assert, and to instead apply user-centered, systems-level thinking to the awesome challenge of improving people's lives.

education

2016 - 2018

Harvard University Graduate School of Design

Master's degree,
Design Technology Studies

skills

Design Research
UI/UX Design
Data Science
Software Engineering
Hardware Engineering
Public Speaking
Project Management
Product Design

work experience

OutVote/COMM!T

2017
Cambridge, MA, USA

- Founder / UXR / Data Scientist
Founded civic tech startup COMM!T to test efficacy of peer-enforced smart contracts in driving civic participation. Joined forces w/ OutVote civic networking app post-election 2017.

Civic Tech Fellow

Summer 2017
Cambridge, MA, USA

- UXR / Designer / Engineer
Developed civic technology for the City of Cambridge, focussing on easy to deploy open source citizen analytics apps and consulting with GoINVO on the MA SNAP application redesign.

MIT Community Innovators Lab

2016 - 2017
Cambridge, MA, USA

- Project Lead / UXR / Engineer
Managed a democratic capacity mapping project for the MIT Community Innovators lab. Oversaw research labor as well as designed and engineered a democratic capacity mapping and organizational partnership tool.

Fulbright Research Fellow

2015 - 2016
Budapest, HU

- Design Research / Project Mgmt
Researched community fablabs at the Center for Media, Data and Society at CEU in Budapest. Also piloted OpenLab public design workshops in UXR, interface design and hardware/software prototyping for public projects.

SEIU

2009 - 2014
Portland, OR, USA

- Data Architect
Full-cycle design and development of a financial-member system handling 25M records, 50 corp. partners, \$5M revenue.