

Social Impact Design
Design Research
Design Strategy
Graphic Design

Teaching
Academic Research
Curriculum Design
Facilitation



Experience

Graduate Teaching Intern 2016 MICA Baltimore, MD

Collaborated with mentoring instructor in a social design practiced based studio (MASD 21856.02) focused on youth smoking prevention.

Founder/Owner Louisville Bowspring 2014/2015 Louisville, Ky Founded and opened a Bowspring Yoga studio in Louisville, Ky.

Graduate Teaching Instructor 2014/2015 WKU Bowling Green, KY Independently taught an Introductory Sociology course.

Graduate Student Worker 2012/2013 WKU Bowling Green, KY Managed the American Sign Language lab including students & curriculum.

Student Worker 2011/2012 WKU Bowling Green, KY Worked in the American Sign Language lab supporting class teachings.

Social Impact Projects

Deaf Jobs 2015/2016 MICA Social Design

Researching and engaging in dialogue with stakeholders to understand the barriers creating a 41.4% unemployment rate for the deaf and hard of hearing community, and working with key community members to create potential interventions which would bring this rate down.

Baltimore HEARS 2016 Johns Hopkins Center on Aging and Health

Finalizing a community health worker intervention model for hearing healthcare which consists of hearing screening, rehabilitative counseling, and immediate provision and training in the use of a personal sound amplification device.

Youth Smoking Prevention 2016 Baltimore City Health Department

Working to analyze data, understand youth smoking behavior, identify target audiences for design solutions, and identify optimal interventions to prevent youth tobacco use.

Youth Counter-Ad Workshop 2015 Behavioral Health Systems Baltimore

Facilitated workshops aimed to educate youth about design and marketing and worked with them collaboratively to develop and implement a counter-ad campaign against underage drinking.

No Kid Hungry 2015 Share our Strength

Used ethnographic research to aggregate and understand the experience of both the children and the staff and compiled the findings into visualizations so as to highlight areas of opportunity for growth in an after school meal program pilot.

Broadway Market 2015 Baltimore City Public Markets Corporation

Conducted first hand interviews and gathered data from community stakeholders to form recommendations for how the market can reintegrate into the area as a local hub.

Code Blue 2015 Armstrong Institute for Patient Safety and Quality

Engaged hospital staff in interviews and used stakeholder input to prototype possible tools that could empower code blue emergency teams to run more quickly and with greater precision than the current model.

Education

Masters of Arts, **Social Design**, 2016

Maryland Institute of College Art (MICA), Baltimore, MD

Masters of Arts, Sociology, 2016

Western Kentucky University (WKU), Bowling Green, KY

Bachelor of Arts, Graphic Design, 2012

Minor, Sociology, 2012

Minor, American Sign Language, 2012

Western Kentucky University (WKU), Bowling Green, KY

Research

Academic Dialect in Scholarly Discourse 2013 to 2015

Perceptions of Language Ownership in the Deaf Community 2012/2013

Tipping Habits in a Small Local Café Spring 2012

Professional Conferences

April 2016 Clinton Global Initiative Berkeley, CA Commitment Maker

March 2016 **SEAM** Baltimore, MD Organizer

September 2015 Better World By Design Providence, RI Attendee

March 2014 4th Speech, Language, Hearing, & Communication Sciences Research Day New York. NY Presenter

March 2014 Prairies Workshop on Language and Linguistics Brandon, MB, CA Presenter

October 2013 PAH (Preparing ASL Hearts) Silent Weekend Lebanon Junction, KY Attendee

November 2012 Association for Humanist Sociology Nashville, TN - Attendee

March 2011 Student Research Conference Bowling Green, KY - Presenter

June 2010-11 World's Largest Silent Weekend, Orlando, FL, Attendee

Feb 2010-14 Birmingham Area Interpreter Training Silent Weekend Talladega, AL Attendee

Memberships & Extracurricular Activities

Volunteer Yoga Instructor, Youth Empowerment Society, 2015

Alpha Kappa Delta, Sociology Honor Society, Inducted April 2013

Peer Mentor, 2010-2012

CD 101- American Sign Language I CD 102- American Sign Language II

American Sign Language Organization President, 2011-2012 Publicity Chair, 2009-2012

Mini Deaf Olympics, 2008,2009 Volunteer

Eagle Scout, Inducted 2006

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