Lucas Colusso

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Expert Beginner

RESEARCH Interviews, Card Sorting, Qual Analysis, Surveys, Diary Studies, Experiments,

Concept Testing. R, Morae, Tobii Eye-Tracking, Tableau.

DESIGN Visual Design, UX/UCD Design. Origami, Pixate, FramerJS, Sketch3D.

Sketch, Axure, Adobe XD/Illustrator/Photoshop.

CODE HTML, CSS. JavaScript, Python, Rails, PHP.

Work

User Experience Researcher Intern, Facebook

Advertiser-facing experiences research.

Design and Execution of Studies; Qualitative Data Analysis; Product Recommendations.

2014 - 2015 Laboratory for Usability Testing and Evaluation Manager, University of Washington

Management of a Usability Testing Lab.

Trained students on usability testing hardware/software (Morae, Tobii, FaceReader, Silverback).

2014 Product Designer, Resultados Digitais - Brazil

Design for SaaS Marketing tools.

UI/UX Design; Front-End; Information Architecture; Content Strategy; User Research.

2010 - 2013 Lead Product Designer, MobilEasy - Brazil

Web and Mobile Design for different industries (Education, Exercising, Well-being, Real Estate).

UI/UX Design; Front-End.

2008 - 2011 Lead Product Designer - GSI Online/GrupoA/Blackboard - Brazil

Design of Learning Objects and web experiences for corporate clients.

Interaction Design, Illustration/Animation, Interns Training.

Education

2014 - present Ph.D. Student, Human Centered Design and Engineering, University of Washington

Advisors: Gary Hsieh and Sean Munson.

Coursework: Ethnography, Design Thinking, Experimental Design, Statistics, Python.

2012 - 2014 Master of Design, Federal University of Santa Catarina - Brazil

Advisor: Alice Cybis.

2004 - 2008 Bachelor of Industrial Design, Federal University of Santa Maria - Brazil

Interests

The 'Research-Practice Gap'

I explore ways to increase collaboration between HCI academic researchers and industry designers. How can HCI academia better support how design practitioners find information and work? What can Academia learn from Industry through cross-community engagement activities?

Several websites with design inspiration and new design tools were released in the past few years, affecting how designers work, but how exactly? What information resources and tools will be in the designer's toolkit in the future? How can we transform practitioners' perception of Academia as 'another world' to a *valuable partner*?

I am also interested in learning new skills and tools to be a more competent researcher, especially those related to quantitative methods.

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Publications

Designing Closeness to Increase Gamers' Performance

CHI'16. Lucas Colusso, Gary Hsieh, Sean Munson.

PlanSourcing: Generating Behavior Change Plans with Friends and Crowds

CSCW'16. Elena Agapie, Lucas Colusso, Gary Hsieh, Sean Munson.

Research

2016

2015 - present Research Assistant, Prosocial Computing Laboratory, University of Washington

Mixed-methods studies on the Research-Practice Gap.

Advisors: Gary Hsieh, Sean Munson.

2014 - 2015 Research Assistant, Prosocial Computing Laboratory, University of Washington

Experimental evaluation of Social Comparison feedbacks to motivate gamers performance.

Advisors: Gary Hsieh, Sean Munson.

2015 Fieldwork, Research Methods II, University of Washington

Ethnography of a sharing-economy organization.

Instructor: Charlotte Lee.

2012 - 2013 Research Assistant, HiperLab, Federal University of Santa Catarina - Brazil

Development and testing of a method to generate concepts for User Interface Design.

Advisor: Alice Cybis.

2011 Research Assistant, Content Design Center, Federal University of Santa Maria - Brazil

Quantitative study of Design students' practices and needs around mobile devices.

Advisors: Volnei Matté, Marcos Brod Jr.

Teaching

2016 HCDE 308 Visual Communication, University of Washington

Lecturer: Daniela Rosner. 40 students.

Lead lectures; graded students' work; mentored students in office hours.

HCDE 596 Supporting Designers of Behavior Change Technologies, University of Washington

Advised by: Gary Hsieh, Sean Munson. 15 students.

Directed a research group of Masters and Bachelor students.

2015 HCDE 210 HCDE Special Topics, University of Washington

Lecturers: Andy Davidson, Jennifer Turns. 100 students.

Planned lectures and studio sessions; lead studio sessions; graded assignments.

Fellowships

CAPES-Brazil Full Doctorate, University of Washington

CNPQ-Brazil Full Masters, Federal University of Santa Catarina - Brazil

Service

Reviewer

CHI'15, CHI'16, CHI'17, CSCW'16.

Events Organizer

Student Hackathons: DubHacks'15 and DubHacks'16 - University of Washington, Seattle. Design workshops (2013) to support the local startup community - Florianópolis, Brazil.

Technology Tutor

MS Office classes (2012) for underprivileged communities - Faxinal do Soturno, Brazil.