UX Researcher

RESEARCH Interviews, Card Sorting, Qual Analysis, Concept Testing, Experimental Design, Observations.

R, Morae, Tobii Eye-Tracking, Tableau, FaceReader, Silverback.

DESIGN Visual Design, UX/UCD Design.

Sketch, FramerJS, Axure.

Adobe Xd (Advisory Board member), Illustrator, Photoshop, Sketch3D.

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

Work Experience

2016 ★ 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 Engineering; 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 Engineering.

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

Design of Learning Objects and web experiences for corporate clients. Prototyping, Interaction Design, Illustration/Animation, Interns Training.

Education

2014 - present * Ph.D., Human Centered Design & 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

Research Interests

The 'Research-Practice Gap'

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

There is also the opportunity to learn from what designers do in practice, and leverage aspects of their process in academia's efforts to connect with industry.

Lately, several websites with design inspiration and new design tools were released, affecting how designers work, but how exactly?

In this ever-changing field, how do designer's processes adapt and change?

What information resources and tools will be in the designer's toolkit in the future?

Publications

2016 Designing Closeness to Increase Gamers' Performance

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

2016 PlanSourcing: Generating Behavior Change Plans with Friends and Crowds

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

Academic Research

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

Mixed-methods studies on the Research-Practice Gap.

Advisors: Gary Hsieh and 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 and Sean Munson.

2015 Fieldwork, Research Methods II, University of Washington

Ethnography of a sharing-economy organization.

Advisor: 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 and Marcos Brod Jr.

Teaching Experience

2017 HCDE 308 Visual Communication, University of Washington

Lecturer: Daniela Rosner. 40 students.

Lead lectures; graded students' work; mentored students in Office Hours.

2016 HCDE 596 Supporting Designers of Behavior Change Technologies, University of Washington

Advised by: Gary Hsieh and Sean Munson. 15 students. Directed a research group with Masters and Bachelor students.

2015 HCDE 210 HCDE Special Topics, University of Washington

Lecturers: Andy Davidson and Jennifer Turns. 100 students.

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

Service & Extracurriculars

2014 - 2016 **Reviewer**

2013

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

Events Organizer

2015 - 2016 Student Hackathons: DubHacks'15 and DubHacks'16 - University of Washington, Seattle.

Design workshops to support the local startup community - Florianópolis, Brazil.

2012 Technology Tutor

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

Awards

2014 - present CAPES-Brazil Full Ph.D. Scholarship, University of Washington

2012 - 2013 CNPQ-Brazil Full Masters scholarship, Federal University of Santa Catarina - Brazil