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Nationality: American, Niederlassungsbewilligung (C)

Employment

9/2016 – current EF Education First

UX Researcher Lucerne, Switzerland

Leading research on the product design team responsible for

transforming the digital future of EF Languages Abroad.

3/2013 - 08/2016 Novartis

Senior UX Researcher Basel, Switzerland

Led the research and design of social technologies within an institute

focused on drug discovery.

09/2012 – 02/2013 Moving to Switzerland, World Health Organization

Writer

Geneva, Switzerland

Moved to Switzerland and shortly thereafter started writing, editing, and finalizing communications material to the Member States of the

United Nations.

03/2010 – 08/2012 Midwife's Ultrasound, Bill & Melinda Gates-sponsored project

UX Researcher and Designer

Seattle, Washington

Researched and designed for a UI of an ultrasound device for midwives in developing regions, specifically for those working in remote villages.

Link to project and publications

06/2011 – 08/2011 Erasmus Studio

Research intern

Rotterdam, the Netherlands

Researched and designed a web-based photo archive that facilitated access to over thirty years of photos from Dutch history textbooks.

07/2009 - 03/2010 University of Washington

Research assistant Seattle, Washington

Researched student perspectives on engineering education through a

four-year study sponsored by the National Science Foundation.

Education

08/2012 University of Washington, Seattle, Washington, USA

Bachelor of Science, Informatics: Human-Computer Interaction Bachelor of Arts, Comparative History of Ideas with Honors 3.91/4.00 scale Grade Point Average, *summa cum laude* 2012 Faculty Award for Student Excellence in Informatics

Member of Phi Beta Kappa

Skills

Specialties: field research, user journeys, interviews, surveys, JTBD, usability testing, research design, persona creation, contextual inquiry, workshops

Applications and Technology: Ethnio, Airtable, Adobe Omniture, FullStory, Typeform, Intercom, Sketch, InVision, Zeplin

Languages: English, German