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Sabbatical/Self-employed
May 2019 to present

World travel, adventure, and story development for a sci-fi/fantasy epic that inspires people to start a mindfulness meditation practice.

Pivotal Software, Inc. 4 yr 8 mo

Managed the product design practice at Pivotal's HQ in San Francisco.

+ yr 0 mo

• Allocations: Managed up and down to ensure optimum staffing

Manager, Product Design Mar 2017 – Apr 2019 • Hiring: Facilitator and owner of the end-to-end hiring experience

Sr. Product Designer

Career growth: Nurtured direct reports into higher career levels
Research ops: Opened and staffed researcher roles

Sep 2014 - Mar 2017

• Design ops: Organized and facilitated design critiques across offices

Designer on a wide range of product areas.

- · Led user research initiatives across and within teams
- Design Lead for first-time user experience and user authn+authz
- API workflow and command line interface (CLI) design lead

Neo Innovation, Inc. 9 mos

Managed client engagements with enterprises who were on a journey to adopt Lean Startup methods.

Product design and product management for fast-paced business

Engagement Lead & Designer

Mentored designers, developers, and executives

Dec 2013 – Aug 2014

• Designer and developer hiring and staffing

model validation projects

ThoughtWorks, Inc. 4 yrs 4 mos

Consulting product designer working with Fortune 500 companies.

Consultant & Designer

Consumer finance

Aug 2009 - Nov 2013

Government

Domains included:

Air Travel

Affiliations & Volunteering

- Founder & Organizer of Lean UX SF 6,000 member meetup group
- Board Member & Volunteer for several SF Bay Area non-profits

Education

Boise State University • Journalism