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## Profile

I focus on design research and strategy to drive innovation. My academic background is in design methodologies, philosophy and international relations. I'm currently studying a Masters in Design Management at IED Barcelona, and completing an internship at CERN in Geneva. My professional goals are to help organizations find valuable insights and strategies using user-centered design methodologies. I value multidisciplinary and cross-cultural teams and have been fortunate to live and work on 4 continents.



## Experience

Design and Innovation Intern, **CERN - European Organization for Nuclear Research** – September 2017 - Present

- Making connections between the CERN scientific community and society (humanitarian organizations, students, computer scientists, designers, and other multidisciplinary teams).
- Hosting and Facilitating Design Thinking and Collaborative Design workshops for multidisciplinary teams.
- Matching CERN detector R&D technologies with societal challenges and opportunities.

Marketing & UX Manager , **Latin America For Less** – June 2013 - December 2016

- Leading 9-person digital marketing, content, and web development teams.
- Managed web redesign for PeruForLess.com, overseeing design, user experience, SEO, mobile, PPC advertising. Leading to conversion rate improvements of over 59%.
- Managed new brand projects, and led the company's winning proposal for PeruDesignNet, a competition honoring innovative ideas.
- Hired and managed external SEO and PPC consultants, and executed strategies.

Writer & Researcher, **Next City** – January – October 2013

- Researched and wrote a weekly article series on Lima's informal economy for The Rockefeller Foundation's Informal City Dialogues
- Partook in the Future Scenarios conferences in Lima, helping participants build a framework for understanding the next decades of Lima's growth.

News Editor, **Peru This Week** – July 2011 - June 2013

- News editor for Peru's foremost English-language news platform. Over 1,800 articles written.
- Edited and researched business, economic, political, and cultural trends.



## Education

**IED Istituto Europeo di Design - Barcelona** - Master in Design Management January 2017 - Present  
**Florida International University** - BA. in International Relations and Philosophy 2007 – 2010



## Skills

Multimedia editing (Ableton Live, Audacity, Logic Pro, Final Cut Pro); Google Analytics Fundamentals Certificate; advanced SEO knowledge.



## Hobbies

I play guitar and enjoy playing and recording music with friends. An avid reader, I enjoy studying about literary theory. I think curiosity is my biggest driver, and love learning new things.