

NICK MCKENNA

TECHNICAL PRODUCT MANAGER

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VALUES

In a **product** I strive for long-term value, user-centered design, and meaningful identity.

On a **team** I build strong communication, empathy for others, and deliberate execution.

IMPACT

Teaching Assistant

Natural Language Processing, CS146
Computer Systems, CS33
Intro to Computer Science, CS18

Creating new curriculum and grading student work.
Leading review sessions and labs, and holding hours.

Hack@Brown Coordinator

Raised \$40k in sponsorship for event (2016, 2017).
Spearheaded attendee diversification with the first weighted applicant lottery for Hackathons (2015).

Meiklejohn Peer Advisor

Mentored new students one-on-one and as a group.
Coordinated with faculty to support them (2014-2016).

SKILLS

<i>Leadership</i>	<i>Dev</i>	<i>Design</i>
Communication	iOS	Sketch
Authenticity	OpenGL	Processing
Passion	Python	Illustrator
Positivity	Scala	Photoshop

INTERESTS

Writing short stories
Cooking
Architecture
SciFi

INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

Product Manager, TapToBook 2017 - Present

Leading user experience redesign and machine learning efforts.

Product Manager Intern, Yelp Reader Experience 2016

Launched an iOS experiment which grew engagement with review highlights by 13%.
Researched and directed new site-wide communication feature for yelp.com.

Engineering Intern, Yelp Yelp Reservations for iPad 2015

Built new, research-driven interface for creating reservations, allowing hosts to run their restaurant in 1/8th previous time.

EDUCATION

B.S. Computer Science, Brown University 3.7 Core GPA 2017

Focus in Artificial Intelligence and Human-Computer Interaction

COLLABORATIVE PROJECTS

Echo Messaging Team of 3 iOS + Web + Server, 2015

An experiment in the way ideas move between people via one-way messaging.
Directed product plan; engineered mobile client; defined project-wide style.

StingRay Renderer Team of 3 OpenGL + C++, 2015

Real-time GPU raytracer that renders scenes with textures, shadows, and reflections.
Researched alternative GPU storage for scene data; developed GPU render program.

Lightning Notes Team of 4 Web + Server, 2015

Note-taking web app that structures and styles text as you type.
Directed product plan; engineered text-restructurer for web; lead interface design.

INDEPENDENT PROJECTS

Nighttime Software, company founder 2010 - Present

Beyond 2048: Two to Infinity! ★ 11,000 Downloads iOS, 2014

Charming reboot of the *Threes!*-inspired game, 2048.

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Interactive map of environmental and recreational sites in Florida.
Commissioned by the Everglades Foundation.

c.blend iOS, 2012

Robust color palette designer with real-time complements, export, and more.