

# Nika Faith Ablao

## UX DESIGNER & RESEARCHER

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## EDUCATION

### Cornell University

Ithaca, NY | Class of 2018

#### **Bachelor of Arts in Information Science; Minor in Business**

Concentrations in UX, Digital Culture & Production, and Data Science

Major GPA: 3.5; Cumulative GPA: 3.4

Dean's List, Fall 2017

## EXPERIENCE

### Undergraduate Research Assistant | Cornell Social Media Lab

Ithaca, NY | Jan 2017 to Present

Assisted graduate students with the technical aspects of their research by overseeing the collection of survey data and metadata. Brainstormed and authored blog posts about the effects of social media on society to educate the public on current research.

### Ecommerce Intern | Petco Inc.

San Diego, CA | June 2017 to August 2017

Carried out an exhaustive audit of all tags present on the ecommerce site and attributes being collected in the data layer; decreased page load time by 4%. Assisted with the Digital Production team in creating pages for the responsive redesign of the site.

### Web Designer | Cornell High Energy Synchrotron Source

Ithaca, NY | Feb 2015 to May 2015

Collaborated with a faculty member to construct an accessible website presenting the timetable, relevant research material, and related information about an upcoming conference.

### Freelance UX Consultant/Designer | Independent

San Diego, CA & Ithaca, NY | Jan 2015 to Present

Created high-fidelity prototypes and provided design insight to student groups and start-ups to increase their digital presence and create more intuitive interfaces for their users.

## UX METHODOLOGIES

User Research & Persona Creation  
Storyboarding  
Affinity Diagramming  
Web Site & Multimedia Design  
Interaction Design  
Usability Testing  
Heuristic Evaluation  
Database Management  
Full Stack Development

## DESIGN TOOLBOX

Adobe CC (Ps, Ai, Id, Xd, Dw, Sp)  
Sketch  
Balsamiq  
Invision  
Marvel

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

HTML & CSS  
SQL  
JavaScript & D3  
PHP  
Java  
Python