STEPHAN SOMERS

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EDUCATION

University of California San Diego

August 2018

Bachelor of Science in Cognitive Science, emphasis in Human Computer Interaction

Relevant Coursework: Design of Everyday Things, Interaction Design, Design for Development, Human Computer Interaction Programming Studio, Intro. to Research Methods, Intro. to Computer Science & Java, Data Science in Practice

AWARDS

First Place, Design at UCSD Design Sprint

March 2018 & May 2018

 Participated in and won two design sprints, one for prototyping an open-source online education platform for teachers to share and give feedback on teaching resources, and another for the redesign of Illumina's NextSeq 550Dx operating software by simplifying the sequencing process to make it more intuitive and user-friendly.

Winner, UCSD Halicioglu Data Science Competition

March 2018

Project on analysis of veteran suicide for better allocation of suicide prevention resources.

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE & EMPLOYMENT

UX/UI Designer, YOMP, La Jolla, CA

March 2018-Present

- Develop highly consumer friendly designs and experiences.
- Deliver end-to-end UX design process and deliverables from user flows through wireframes/prototypes to consumer facing page layouts/designs using tools such as Photoshop and InVision.

Team Lead, UX/UI Design & Development, Global Ties, La Jolla, CA 2018

January 2018 - March

- Led a project team of 8 to design and build a classification tool and visual aid for a non-profit organization which removed the need for a quarterly 20+ hour classification process. This allowed the staff to provide quicker and more frequent aid to neighborhood markets, increasing community access to fresh produce.
- Utilized human centered design tools such as storyboarding, wireframing, prototyping, HTML, CSS, and JS.

Research Assistant, CHEAR, La Jolla, CA

November 2017 - Present

- Setup and perform cognitive assessments on participants as well as conducting ECG, EMG, and GSR measurements.
- Maintain the organization of data using Microsoft Excel.

Wilderness Guide, Outback Adventures, La Jolla, CA

October 2016 - May 2018

• Lead and supervise participants to minimize risk in a wilderness setting.

MEMBERSHIPS & ACTIVITIES

Member, UCSD Design Club

March 2017 - Present

• Participated in events such as design sprints and various workshops which helped refine certain design skills and tools such as Balsamiq, Photoshop, and InVision.

Member, Global Ties

January 2018 - Present

Worked with non-profits to design and develop cost-effective solutions to real-world problems.

UCSD Rowing Team

September 2016 - September 2017

• Competed in NCAA DII Novice 8+ category.