

# Stephan Somers

UX Designer & Front-End Developer

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## EDUCATION

### Human-Computer Interaction (BS)

University of California, San Diego  
Class of 2018

## SKILLS

### Design

Ideation, Wireframing, Storyboarding, User Flows, Rapid Prototyping

### Tools

Adobe XD, Figma, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe After Effects, InVision, Zeplin, HTML, CSS, JS, Java, Python, Angular, Sketch

### Research

Personas, Ethnography, User Interviews, Needfinding, Competitive Analysis, Heuristic Evaluations, Card Sorting, Usability Testing

## AWARDS

### Design At UCSD Design Sprint Competition,

**First Place x 2**, March 2018 & May 2018

First place prize for ideating and prototyping a curated open source education platform for sharing resources between teachers and students.

First place prize for redesign of Illumina's NextSeq 550Dx operating software.

### UCSD Halicioglu Data Science Competition,

**First Place**, March 2018

First place prize for data analysis on the correlation between veteran suicide rates and socioeconomic status with the goal of better allocation of suicide prevention resources.

## EXPERIENCE

### YOMP, San Diego, CA— UX/UI Designer

Mobile Application Startup for College Students

JANUARY 2018 - PRESENT

- Conduct user interviews and competitive analysis to develop business insights.
- Develop low-high fidelity wireframes and visual branding guidelines to hand off to back end developers.
- Work to deliver end-to-end UX/UI design process and deliverables from user flows, wireframes, and prototypes to consumer facing page layouts and designs using a variety of tools including Photoshop and InVision.

### Slant, San Diego, CA— UX/UI Designer

Mobile Application Startup for Civic Engagement

JUNE 2018 - PRESENT

- Conduct expert reviews and competitive analyses of products operating in the same space.
- Create personas, storyboards, and journey maps to generate empathy and identify pain points in the user's experience.
- Continuously iterate and test prototypes of varying levels of fidelity using tools such as Adobe XD, InVision, and UserTesting.

### Global Ties, La Jolla, CA—UX Design & Development

Responsive Web Application for San Diego Non-Profit

JANUARY 2017 - MARCH 2017

- Managed a team of 8 to design and build a classification tool and visual aid for a nonprofit client, Center for Community Health, which increased productivity by 20%.
- Utilized HTML, CSS, and JS to develop the front-end of the application.

### CHEAR, La Jolla, CA—Research Assistant

Behavioral Psychology Lab

NOVEMBER 2017 - AUGUST 2018

- Administer assessments including psychophysiological measurements such as EMG, GSR, and ECG.
- Closely observe participants behaviors during assessments.
- Worked to quickly build rapport with participants to create a comfortable environment.