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## EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

**University of Texas at Austin, TX**  
08/2018 - 05/2020

**M.S. in Information Studies, School of Information**  
Focus: User Experiences, Human-Computer Interaction, and Business Intelligence  
Course Highlights: Human-Computer Interaction, Interaction Design, Informatics

**University of Washington Seattle, WA**  
09/2016 - 06/2017

**Exchange Student in Human Centered Design & Engineering (HCDE)**  
Course Highlights: UX Design Process, Graphic Design, Psychology Research  
Also took courses in Computer Science & Engineering and Statistics  
Student Researcher in HCDE Directed Research Group about Technology Appropriation

**Keio University Tokyo, Japan**  
04/2014 - 03/2018

**B.S. in Administration Engineering**  
Interdisciplinary major in human factors design, computer science, applied mathematics, industrial engineering; Specialization in system human engineering / human factors design

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

**PKSHA Technology Inc.**  
06/2018 - 08/2018

**Business Development Internship** (providing AI business consultation services)  
Conducted industry research, and developed business models with the technology of AI (ML, NLP, etc), including planning and operations

**PRAGE Inc.**  
04/2018 - 08/2018

**Front-end Development Engineer Internship** (creating AR apps / websites)  
Performed front-end development with user interface design and coding including HTML, CSS, JavaScript, and PHP  
Produced AR Stamp Feature for a smartphone application called ARcube

**NPO HOPE Japan**  
10/2014 - 08/2016

**Project Leader / Student Representatives**  
Acted as a student representative at the NPO which works to improve the living condition of a poor neighborhood in Cebu City, the Philippines  
Led projects regarding fair trade and job training

## ACADEMIC PROJECTS

**Human Factors Design Lab at Keio University**  
07/2017 - 06/2018

**Student Researcher**  
Individual Research: "Evaluating User Experiences of the Emotional Expression "WOW"  
(Presented at The 59th Conference of Japan Ergonomic Society, 06/2018)  
Group Research: "Analysis of User Experiences in Work Environments"

**Coursework Projects at the University of Washington**  
09/2016 - 06/2017

**HUE Project** (focusing on underrepresented minorities in tech industry)  
Created an app that provides mentorship, discussion board, and progress visualization  
**Garden Guardians Project** (focusing on daily gardeners)  
Designed an app to help assist gardeners with the upkeep of their garden

## SKILLS / KNOWLEDGE

**Programming Languages**

Java, JavaScript, HTML, CSS, PHP, Ruby, Visual Basic, R

**Software Skills**

Microsoft Office, Sketch, Adobe Illustrator, Photoshop, XD

**UX / HCI Related Skills**

User Research, Persona, Storyboard, Information Architecture, Prototyping, Evaluation, Data Analysis, Data Visualization, Qualitative Analysis, Human Factors Experiments

**Languages**

Japanese(Native language), English(Fluent), German(Basic level)