

Takashi Wickes

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

IDEO CoLab Winter 2017 / Summer 2017
Academic Fellow San Francisco, CA
I worked with interdisciplinary teams and IDEO designers to explore emerging technologies and develop interesting applications for them, spanning from the industrial design of IoT sensors for elderly fall detection to using AR to build creative confidence of students in Oakland
SKILLS Product Design / Interaction Design / Front-end Web Development / Illustration + Animation

Microsoft Summer 2016
Explorer Intern on Visual Studio Redmond, WA
I worked with the Visual Studio team to find issues with existing Property Inspector and develop solution. Alongside two interns, we conducted phone interviews with users, designed, developed, and deployed microinteraction features. In addition as a side project, I designed and illustrated logos for 13 global Microsoft offices.
SKILLS Software Development / C# / Version Control + Code Reviews / Project Management

General Electric Hitachi Nuclear Energy Summer 2015
Global Supply Chain ITLP Intern Wilmington, NC
My task was to display data of 8 manufacturing machines on one, centralized dashboard. I gained the trust of 18 engineers to allow me connect their machines, accidentally stopping production of nuclear fuel rods for 8 hours. Successfully added 24 machines totaling 721 data sources, identifying +\$70,000 of annual inessential costs
SKILLS Project Management / Java / Customer Service / Nuclear Fuel Manufacturing Process

PROJECTS

Swipemoji Spring 2017
iOS Developer / Interface Designer San Francisco, CA
Exploring gesture-based user interaction, a team of four UF students and I developed a gesture to Emoji iOS keyboard. Scheduled to be deployed late October 2017.
SKILLS iOS Development / Interaction Design / Natural User Interfaces / Animation + Branding

Tuna Pasta Podcast Summer 2017
Co-creator / Producer San Francisco, CA
Published a 13 episode podcast series created from a cross country roadtrip where my co-creator and I interviewed strangers across the US, learning their story and greatest life lesson
SKILLS Script Writing / Storytelling / Audio Engineering / Marketing / Illustration

Theia / Franklin Spring 2017
Lead Developer / Product Designer San Francisco, CA
Initially created at PennApps XIV, the project is an attempt to provide low cost eye exams using a cardboard housing and mobile phone. Grantee project of 1517 Venture Fund
SKILLS iOS Development / Human Centered Design / Cardboard Fabrication

PROTOTYPES

Glasses for Kids VR [1 week build]
Simulating 1st grade spelling lesson, tracking head movement to score concentration w & w/o glasses

Bernard // IDEO CoLab [3 day build]
An exploration in IoT sensor form factor for elderly users, including operational cardboard robot dog

jessie // IDEO CoLab & Kapor Center [24 hour build]
AR concept to help kids discover potential careers based on research with Oakland highschool students

Medidock [36 hour build]
A weight sensor and mobile app for tracking pill dosage, designed for the elderly and preventing teen drug abuse

EDUCATION

University of Florida, Gainesville FL
Computer Science & Art History
Graduation May 2018

Current Courses:
VR For Social Good
Legal Issues in Computing
Completed Courses:
Data Structures and Algorithms
Digital Logic
Natural User Interface
Human Computer Interaction

AWARDS

Goldman Sach's Best User Experience
& Wellog's Best Wellness Application
awarded to Medidock at MHacks 8
PennApp's Best Health Hack
& Top Ten Application
awarded to Theia at PennApps XIV
Jury Award at Campus Movie Festival

CAMPUS INVOLVEMENT

Floatie - Statewide Student Tech Conference
Founder & Director of User Experience
UF Engineering Ambassadors
Member & Director of Public Relations
SwampHacks 2016 + 2017
Executive Director & Graphic Designer
Florida Hackers
Co-founder
UF Association of Computing Machinery
Vice President

VOLUNTEERING

Freewheel Project Bicycle Repair
Refurbishing kids bike to give to local kids in
Gainesville low income neighborhoods

Technical Skills

Development
CSS, HTML, React JS, Swift, XCode, Unity
Design
Illustration, Animation (After Effects)
Film Direction & Editing, Cardboard & Hot Glue, Audio Engineering (Audition)