# **Taylor McPherson**

UX DESIGNER, RESEARCHER, DEVELOPER

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#### **EXPERIENCE & LEADERSHIP**

# UI/UX Designer • Tech4Good Lab

June 2020 - Present

I am conducting user and market research, wireframing, prototyping, and designing a scheduling app for our research lab. Primarily using Figma.

#### UX Researcher • Tech4Good Lab

January 2020 - Present

I conduct usability tests and analyze user experience data. Experience with survey design, and user interviews both remote and in person. Co-writing a research paper on a usability field study my team and I are running.

## Undergraduate Fellow • Tech4Good Lab

March 2020 - Present

As a selected Tech4Good Fellow, I take on lab and team-based leadership during the school year. I also get to work as a full-time paid intern in the lab all summer.

### Educator • Punahou School

June 2016 - Aug 2018

I created lesson plans and co-taught classrooms of  $\sim$ 25 high school students during winter and summer breaks from College. Courses included an Intro to Feminisms course (grades 9-12) and Intro to Social Sciences (grade 9).

## Photographer • Freelance

December 2016 - Present

Photography is a love turned side hustle. Some of my publishers and collaborators include Vogue, Rookie Mag, Hara the Label, Jonesy NY, and Mejuri.

#### EDUCATION

## Computer Science, B.A. with honors

University of California, Santa Cruz Graduated December 2020, Cum Laude

Computer Science Visiting Student

University of California, Berkeley

Sept. 2018 - May 2019

Womens, Gender & Sexuality Studies Barnard College, Columbia University

Sept. 2016 - May 2018

#### RELEVANT COURSEWORK

Designing Interactive Media Web Applications Web Design Database Systems

## SKILLS

SOFTWARE DESIGN HTML/CSS Figma Needfinding JavaScript User Research SQL Rapid Iteration AngularJs Wireframing Java Prototyping Python Adobe Creative Cloud C/C++

#### INTERESTS

Tech for Social Good Creative Direction + Design Hawai'i - where I'm from Sustainable Futures Doggos