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#### GENERAL INFORMATION

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#### WORK EXPERIENCE

employer United States General Services Administration

Technology Transformation Services / U.S. Web Design System

title Project Lead, U.S. Web Design System

location Remote

dates of employment November 2017-February 2025

salary \$185,000/year

supervisor Jacob Parcell (jacob.parcell@gsa.gov)

- responsibilities Led product and technical development of the U.S. Web Design System (designsystem.digital.gov)
  - Managed a cross-functional team of up to 10 teammates (UX and Experience Design, Engineering, Accessibility, Content Design), and a budget of \$1-3 million
  - Promoted human centered design principles as a core responsibility of government design work
  - Released two major versions of the design system (USWDS 2.0 and 3.0), added over 20 new components, and introduced interaction patterns
  - Wrote, produced and delivered over fifty public monthly presentations, setting the tone for government design communication
  - Elevated accessibility as a core principle, released comprehensive guidance for component-based practical accessibility testing, and operationalized usability testing with people with disabilities
  - Developed a flexible, accessible token-based design language
  - Designed the open source typeface Public Sans
  - Maintained a successful open source project, building relationships with partners like Veterans Affairs, the Department of Homeland Security, the Internal Revenue Service, and the Executive Office of the President
  - Strengthened organizational continuity in an environment of unpredictable budgets and institutional priorities
  - Structured and planned national website standards
  - Supported over a billion pageviews a month on government properties

employer United States General Services Administration Technology Transformation Services / 18F

title Visual Designer

location Remote

dates of employment May 2016-November 2017

salary \$120.000/year supervisor Amber Reed

- responsibilities Consulted with Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to help improve state proposal management
  - Designed dashboard tools and a documentation site for Cloud.gov

employer Harvard Law School

Library Innovation Lab / Berkman Center for Internet & Society

title Designer-in-Residence

location Cambridge, MA

dates of employment March 2015-January 2016

**salary** \$72,000/year

supervisor Adam Ziegler (Library Innovation Lab; aziegler@law.harvard.edu)

- responsibilities Design and engineering for the Library Lab website including UI, UX, illustrations, content design, front-end development (HTML/Sass/ JavaScript/Twig), and logo design
  - educated team about design thinking and process

employer n+1 Magazine

title Designer location Remote

dates of employment 2005-present

supervisor Tess Edmonson, Managing Editor (tess@nplusonemag.com)

- responsibilities Created the publication design for the magazine
  - Designed and illustrated issue covers, posters, and tote bags
  - Designed and engineered nplusonemag.com in both 2009 and 2014
  - Designed books (What Was the Hipster, What We Should Have Known, Buzz: A Play, and No Regrets) and newspaper-style publications: (N1FR, the n+1 film review, and Occupy!, an Occupy Wall Street gazette)

employer Storey Publishing

title Digital Projects Manager

location North Adams, MA

dates of employment 2010-2014

salary \$65,000/year

supervisor Dan Reynolds, CEO of Workman Publishing (dan@workman.com)

- responsibilities Collaborated on digital strategic direction for the Storey brand
  - Developed an in-house production workflow to create high-quality ebooks for complex illustrated nonfiction

employer Storey Publishing

title Art Director

location North Adams, MA

dates of employment 2007-2010

40 hours per week

salary \$57,000/year

supervisor Alethea Morrison, Creative Director

- responsibilities Established design direction for a how-to catalog of books
  - Hired illustrators and freelancers; and created interior and cover designs for books across the range of DIY product categories

# employer Barnes & Noble / SparkNotes

title Designer

location New York, NY

dates of employment 2002-2006

40+ hours per week

> **salary** \$60,000/year supervisor Dan Weiss

responsibilities - Developed the look and feel of SparkNotes and its related print brands, including SparkCharts, No Fear Shakespeare, and Spark Cards

## employer Eyeboogie

title Writer, Pop-Up Video

New York, NY location

dates of employment 2001

hours per week 40

responsibilities - Interviewed celebrities like Vanilla Ice, watched music videos, wrote short on-screen facts and commentary

### employer Cognoscenti Map Guides

title Head Designer

Somerville, MA

dates of employment 1998-2001

hours per week 40+

- responsibilities Developed a series of printed travel maps to combine the detail of a travel guide and the wayfinding of a map into one simple product
  - Designed maps of more than 12 major cities, including New York City, Boston, Chicago, Berlin, London, Paris, New Orleans, and Amsterdam

**EDUCATION** page 4 of 4

# school Harvard College

degree AB in Visual and Environmental Studies

dates attended 1993-1998

coursework animation, graphic design, painting, sculpture, film and visual theory

honors/other - Magna cum laude graduate

- Multiple Harvard Advocate fiction prize winner
- Member of the Harvard Lampoon and the Signet Society
- Let's Go travel guides: Research/Writer (Belgium, Holland, Luxembourg, and Iceland; 1994), Editor (California and Hawaii; 1995), Production Manager (1996), and New Media Manager (1997)
- Varsity ski racing

### ADDITIONAL SKILLS

- technical skills Web design and engineering: HTML/CSS, Sass, GitHub, VS Code, basic **JavaScript** 
  - Adobe InDesign and other print publishing software
  - Figma and Sketch design tools
  - Glyphs font design software