Georgia Tech Transformation Overview

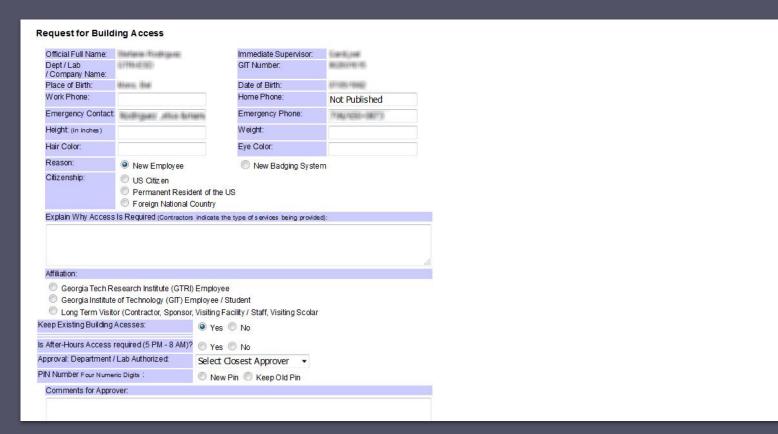
Problem: Apply UI/UX to an outdated application

What kind of app?

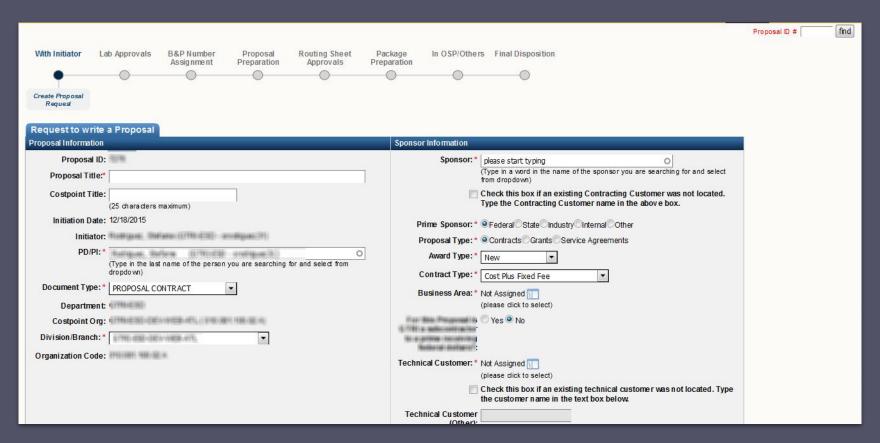
Primary Issues

My Role

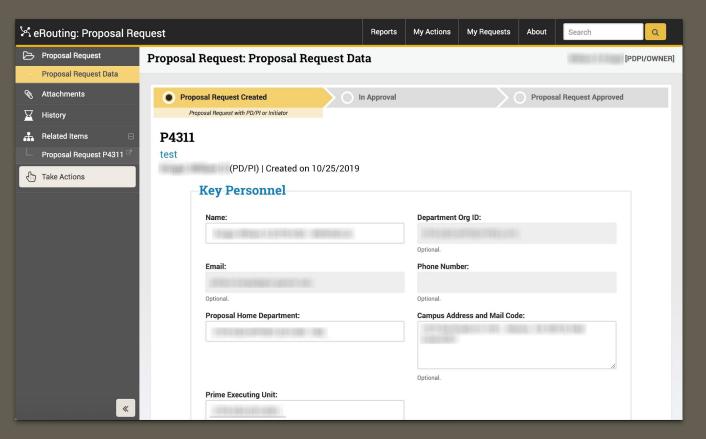
Approach, Heuristics, Examples



Old Designs



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New Design

What kind of apps?

Internal web applications:

- Research Contracts
- Proposals
- Security Arrangements

Needs:

- Apps route documents to different users for review and approval
- Expect similar behaviour in each
- Would link to each other in subprocesses



Initial Problem

- Front end had no design process or standards
- Customers were not satisfied
- App development time was unacceptable

What was my role?

A new role in the department: UI and UX

- Increase customer satisfaction and product acceptance
- Reduce engineer rework from miscommunication or bad designs
- Give the customer a feeling of a valuable purchase

Approach

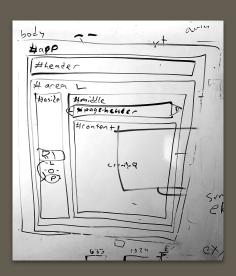
- Create styling
- Streamline workflows
- Modify default framework
- Establish standards

Initial UI Steps - Extend Bootstrap

Implement Bootstrap and add custom framework modifications:

- Collapsible sidebar and menus
- Title bars: global menu, app menu, page title, content header
- Support two column layout for fields
- Theme style was too broad, no color palette, needed branding
- Mobile and responsive
- Extend buttons





Initial UI - Scalability Issues

Bootstrap added powerful pre-built classes but

- Every detail needed to be re-specified for every element and form field
- Every engineer needed Bootstrap expertise

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Introduce Components

Lead change to use reusable templated components

- Reduced html/classes coding by 95%
- Still supported customization
- Extremely quick front end development
- Uniform style
- Consistent accessibility solutions

- Flexbox positioning
- UI resizing for screens/devices
- Basic validation
- Easy to update/maintain all at once
- Reusable

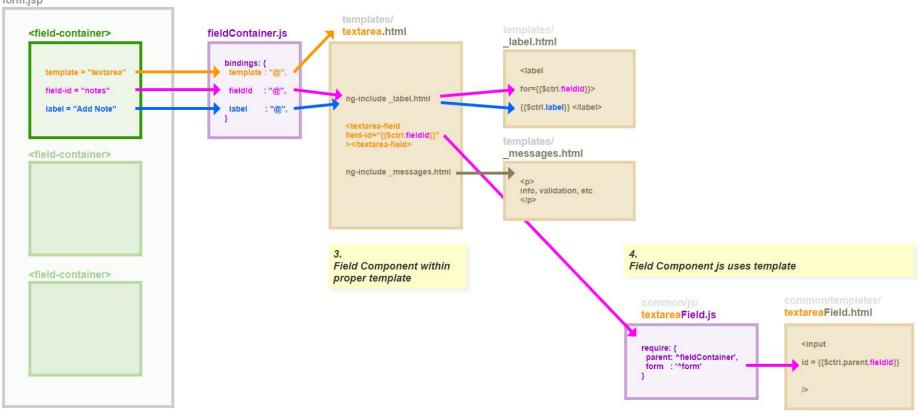
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New

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Components with Attributes
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    <field-container
       ·template="text"
       ·field-id="email"
       ·label="Email Address"
       ·tooltip="Please enter an email address the user has ac
      .. target-property="formObj.textField">
    </field-container>
    <!-- text field -->
    <field-container
      ···template="text"
       ·field-id="phone"
        ·label="Work · Phone · #"
        ·info="Cell.or.Office.ext."
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Initial UX

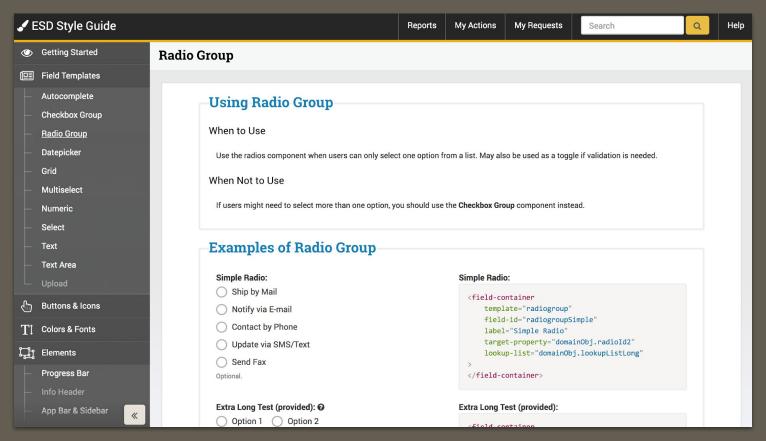
- Increase Customer-Developer Communication
- Identify Solutions/Problems
- Questions:
 - What is the decision that needs to be made?
 - What information does a user need to make a decision?
 - What is the source of this information?
 - Output Description

 Output Description
 - How does the user proceed?
- Form chunking

Reduce miscommunication and expectation errors

	Four Types of Comment Textareas			
Туре	Workflow Comment - History Log	Form Additional Details - Form	Non-workflow Comment - Notes	Non-workflow Question - Question-Reply
Description	This is the textarea that is tied to an action and a choice of	This is the catch-all textarea that is for any additional details	This is the textarea that is not tied to any workflow and can	This is the textarea that is not tied to any workflow and can
	one to three buttons (usually Approve, Deny, Abstain).	or notes within a form.	be used at anytime.	be used at anytime to ask specific users a question.
Write Location	Textarea: Near workflow action buttons.	Textarea: Within form, near other fields but usually the last.	Textarea: Outside of form and workflow actions.	Textarea: Outside of form and workflow actions.
Read Location	Table: History Log	Textarea: Field within form in post-submission/readonly	Table: History Log	Table: History Log
	Email: Next user in workflow	mode	Email: (Optional) Any specified user(s)	Email: Any specified user(s)
	Email: Any specified additional user(s)			
Example Scenario	Reason for rejecting a proposal.	A piece of misc info about the proposal you are submitting.	A piece of misc info about the proposal that has been	A question for clarification about a part of the proposal.
			submitted.	
User Steps	Enter text	Enter text	Enter text	Enter text
	, ,	Submit full form		Select users to receive question
	notified			Add Clarification
	Choose a workflow button that will move the workflow		- Automatically send the text to the log	- Automatically send text to the log
	forward		 Automatically email the text to any selected user(s) 	 Automatically email the text to any selected user(s)
	 Automatically send the text and choice to the log 			
	- Automatically email the text and choice to the appropriate			
	user(s) in the workflow and any selected additional user(s)			
Label	Label this textarea without using the word Comment.	Label this textarea without using the word Comment.	If separate, label this textarea Comments.	If separate, label this textarea Request Clarification.
	Instead use a word or phrase that relates to the workflow	Instead relate it to the form:	Add Note to History Log.	
	action:	Additional Proposal Notes		
	Approval Details	Are there any other details you need to provide?		
	Reason for Closing			
Suggested Changes	Keep this textarea with the workflow action buttons in it's	Keep this textarea with the form, usually as the last field.	Keep these two fields combined and move it to the History Log section.	
	own section or area.	Label appropriately.	Can label the field Comments and Clarifications.	
		Don't attempt to use this as a place for conversation.	Can label the button "Add Comment or ask a Question"	
	Can add text explaining that this text will go to the log and		Can label the section/sidebar History and Comments.	
	specifcy the role that will receive it next.		Can use an anchor tag on submit to scroll down to bottom of log to show user that their comment has been added.	
	popup on action button	stay in form	near history	near history

Example: What is an "Add Comments" requirement?



Create Design System and Library

Apply Interaction Design Principles: Visibility of System Status

- History
- Header
- Sidebars are wizard-like, show user location









In Final Disposition

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Example: Two dimensional progressbar, show workflow location

- Accept any amount of nodes
- Instertable nodes
- Substeps or substatus
- Tooltips for additional info or currently assigned to list
- Responsive, collapsible
- Fully done in css

Apply Interaction Design Principles: Consistency and Standards

- Standardized: labels, tooltips, inputs, validation, and messages
- Application suite consistency
 - Establish conventions for workflow actions
 - Uniform Search and Notifications

Apply Interaction Design Principles: Match System and Real World

Removed icon ambiguity from

• "Help" link - Does this go to docs or send an email?

Apply Interaction Design Principles: Error Prevention

- Inline validation
- Hints
- Tooltips
- Selects
- Autocompletes

Apply Interaction Design Principles: Error Recovery

- Help Users Recognize, Diagnose, and Recover
- Inline Validation before submit
- Error summary on submit
- Clear error explanation

Apply Interaction Design Principles: User Control and Freedom

- User mistakes, user exploration
- Withdraw
- Save anytime
- Inline validation
- Submission validation

Apply Interaction Design Principles: Recognition > Recall

- Sidebar orders intended processes
- Show Requests and Actions
- Info Header
- Select, Autocomplete

Apply Interaction Design Principles: Flexibility and Efficiency of Use

- Support Power Users
- Clone
- Quick search

Apply Interaction Design Principles: Aesthetic and Minimalist Design

- Direct, brief labels
- Hide irrelevant sections, subsections
- No filler styling
 - Big pages made small
 - Whitespace vs crammed

Apply Interaction Design Principles: Help and Documentation

- Help
- Tooltips
- Hints
- Design System