# YANLING XU

### **EDUCATION**

#### **Bentley University**

• M.S. in Human Factors in Information Design 09/2017 - 12/2018

#### University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

· B.S. in Mathematics and Economics 09/2012 - 05/2015

### **EXPERIENCES**

## Voice & Web Platform Designer & Developer

Waltham, MA 11/2017 - Present

--Bentley University

- · Working on an NSF sponsored project to provide technology solutions with health-related information for the Aging-at-home
- Produced quality designs, defined interactions between the platform and users, communicated features with the research team
- Developed a web application that stored health related voice-to-text information for elderly users and care givers, and realized functions that allow users to input, retrieve, edit and manage their entries
- · Conducted user interviews and usability studies with elderly users to gain feedback for ongoing refinement and research insight

#### User Researcher

Boston, MA

--Brightcove

10/2017 - 12/2017

- Performed guerilla testing with 12 participants on Brightcove's mobile video application kit on Android devices
- Conducted comprehensive competitive analysis on mobile interfaces and functions between Brightcove and its leading competitor
- · Generated usability study report with behavioral observations and actionable recommendations

#### Research Technician Associate

Ann Arbor, MI 05/2015 - 07/2017

### -- Institute for Social Research

- Programmed, tested, and implemented SAS codes to define sample from large-scale raw survey data
- Designed and constructed relational databases and user interfaces as the sample data management tool for analysts to work with
- Composed and tested mathematical models that express complex financial provisions
- Built public and restricted data products for use by registered users, conducted statistical analysis and utilized data structures

### Project Management Assistant

Jackson, MI

-- Jackson City Hall

01/2015 - 05-2015

- Streamlined business registration through web services for the City of
- Successfully helped Jackson launch their new service platform in April 2015

### Please visit my portfolio at: yanlingxu.com

### **SKILLS**

### Design

### **Programming** • HTML & CSS

- Interaction Design
- Rapid Prototyping Javascript
- Information Architecture Python
- Affinity Diagram
- Usability Test
- Heuristic Evaluation
- SOL

• R

- Java
- · SAS

#### Research

- Interview & Survey
- A/B Testing
- Contexual Inquiry
- · Card Sorting
- Statistical Modeling
- Database Construction

#### Tools

- Sketch 3
- · Adobe Creative
- Suites
- InVision
- Axure
- Balsamiq Mockup

### **PROJECTS**

### Sun Smart

- Designed UX and UI concepts for a wearable product and its associated app that promotes better sun protection habits by researching, conducting interviews and usability tests to support user needs
- Created wireframes, paper prototypes, and hi-fi prototypes by design iterations

### Manage Me Platform

- Designed and built components of a college task management tool that helps users manage multiple life aspects
- Adopted lean UX principles and agile concept for the ideation, design and testing process

### **COURSES**

- Human Factors Foundations
- Managing a User-Centered Design Team
- Prototyping and Interaction Design
- Information Architecture
- Testing and Assessing Programs
- Field Methods
- Web Applications Design and Development