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EDUCATION

University of Minnesota

Ph.D. in Computer Science (HCI) Aug. 2017 – Present

University of Washington

Master in HCI+D Sept. 2014 – Aug. 2015

St. Olaf College

B.A. Computer Science and Math Sept. 2010 – May 2014

SKILLS

User Research

A/B Testing Competitor Analysis Contextual Inquiry Field Research Focus Group

Heuristic Evaluation

Interview

Journey Mapping

Observation

Participatory Design

Persona Survey

Usability Testing

Design

Prototyping (Low-High Fidelity) Scenario Storyboarding Wireframing

TOOLS

Data Analysis

Excel

R

Tableau

Design & Prototyping

Adobe Creative Suite

Arduino Axure

C/C++

Framer

HTML5&CSS3

JavaScript

Processing / p5.js

Python Sketch Unity

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

Graduate Researcher

GroupLens Lab, University of Minnesota

Aug. 2017 - Present | Minneapolis, MN

Utilize both qualitative (e.g., interviews, participatory design) and quantitative (e.g., experiment design) to understand how people use current technologies and opportunities for technologies to better support their activities;

Design, develop and evaluate (e.g., usability testing, field deployment) new technologies; Communicate study findings in both written reports (papers) and oral presentations

User Experience Specialist III

LexisNexis

Nov. 2016 – Jul. 2017 | Shanghai, China

Lead designer for cross-platform legal products from user research, ideation, design, testing to release;

Collaborated closely with product and engineering teams from different locations throughout the product cycle and facilitated the communications between teams

UX Designer and Researcher

Ubicomp Lab, University of Washington

June 2016 - Aug. 2016 | Seattle, WA

Conducted usability testing on a mobile spirometry test app in collaboration with other researchers, and iterated the app design based on testing results

Interaction Designer

IA Collaborative

Sept. 2015 - June 2016 | Chicago, IL

Collaborated with design researchers and visual designers to create omni-channel solutions and designed user experiences based on user needs and business requirements;

Helped interaction design team utilize new tools by creating tutorials and teaching the team development knowledge

Freelance UX Designer & Frontend Developer

Dec. 2014 - Present

Collaborate with visual designer to redesign clients' websites experiences, with a focus on information architecture and UX design

Undergraduate Researcher

MSCS Department, St. Olaf College

May 2013 - May 2014 | Northfield, MN

Conducted series of user interviews, heuristic evaluations on web apps developed for professors and students on campus and implemented the design changes based on evaluation results