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EDUCATION

University of Washington, Seattle

M.S., Human Centered Design & Engineering

Sept 2021 – June 2023

Tufts University

B.S., Biopsychology | Minors: Studio Art; Science, Technology, & Society

Sept 2015 – May 2019

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RESEARCH

Experimental design

Generative research

Evaluative research

Interviewing

Ethnography

Mixed methods

Survey design

Qualitative analysis

Inferential statistics

Usability testing

Remote testing

Heuristic evaluation

Experimental psychology

Qualtrics

R

SPSS

MTurk

Storytelling

DESIGN & VISUAL

Adobe Photoshop

Adobe Illustrator

Miro

Figma

Service design

Wireframing

Prototyping

Rapid iterative testing

Digital photography

Blender

Rhinoceros 3D CAD

Illustration

p5.js

UX researcher backed by 6 years of academic research, committed to understanding and enhancing the human experience. Driving empathy, innovation, and connection through interdisciplinary approaches, integrating human-centered design, psychology, anthropology, and cognitive science.

EXPERIENCE

Johnson & Johnson MedTech — UX Researcher (contract)

Seattle, WA | January 2022 – Present

- Designed an AI-driven, cloud-based platform that integrates and enhances data handling and communication in robotic surgery
- Conducted generative research to develop personas, service blueprints, and a comprehensive report, which shaped product concept
- Led UX research initiatives, including stakeholder interviews, contextual inquiry, co-design, and usability testing with medical professionals, ensuring frictionless integration with medical workflows and requirements.

DocuSign — UX Researcher (internship)

Seattle, WA | June 2022 – September 2022

- Led generative and evaluative research to reduce churn and lost sales, resulting in successful launch of a critical reporting feature
- Synthesized data and reported actionable insights to stakeholders, prompting data restructuring for the upcoming release
- Facilitated collaboration with cross-functional teams to understand user needs and encourage open communication, driving holistic solutions

Sliced: Chicago Charcuterie — UX Researcher (contract)

Seattle, WA | January 2022 – March 2022

- Optimized purchasing web flow and checkout efficiency through usability testing, leading to a 7% decline in cart abandonment
- Led foundational market research that increased conversion rate by 377% through understanding core target customers and driving a pivot to sustainable, ethical, and local sourcing

New York University, Lab for the Developing Mind — Laboratory Manager

New York, NY | June 2019 – June 2021

- Led 4+ concurrent studies on geometric and spatial intuitions across age groups, resulting in multiple publications
- Successfully transitioned studies from in-person to remote format
- Managed and trained teams of 10-15 researchers
- Streamlined administrative, technological, and financial workflows

MIT Media Lab (partnership with IBM) — Research Associate

Cambridge, MA | January 2019 – June 2019

- Conducted and [published research](#) on mapping human moral reasoning to AI and ML
- Designed and deployed experimental protocols and visual stimuli
- Built statistical models and analyzed findings, presented to major stakeholders

Yale University, Cognition and Development Lab — Research Intern

New Haven, CT | May 2018 – August 2018

- Independently conducted research on childhood object complexity processing
- Summarized data and insights for depart conference and lab meetings
- Managed laboratory website and social media presence

Harvard University, Gilbert Social Psychology Lab — Research Intern

Cambridge, MA | June 2017 – August 2017

- Supported data collection, analysis, and [successful publication](#) of groundbreaking research on plausibility and frequency judgements
- Designed and obtained IRB approval for a study on observer impatience