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learning

M.S. Information, Human Computer Interaction
University of Michigan - School of Information

Expected April 2013
3.91 GPA

B.A. Professional Writing, Design Specialization
Michigan State University

May 2011
3.94 GPA

working

User Interface Designer

Linux Box

September 2012 – Present
Ann Arbor, MI

- Conducted interviews and heuristic evaluation to learn about users
- Created and iterated on email archival & ediscovery software prototype

User Experience Research Intern

T-Mobile USA

May 2012 – August 2012
Bellevue, WA

- Conducted usability tests, heuristic evaluations, and competitive analyses on software and mobile
- Created wireframes, sketches, and mockups
- Presented findings and recommendations to stakeholders and product teams

User Experience Research Intern

TechSmith Corporation

August 2010 – January 2012
Okemos, MI

- Conducted usability tests on workflow concepts, software, and help documentation
- Conducted depth interviews, literature review and competitive analyses
- Collaboratively solved product issues through design studios and affinity walls
- Presented findings and recommendations using infographics, blog posts, and presentations

HCI Researcher

Virginia Tech, Research Experience for Undergraduates in HCI

May 2010 – July 2010
Blacksburg, VA

- Interviewed designers and researchers on design, reuse, and storyboarding processes
- Coded and analyzed interviews for inclusion in CHI 2011 paper

Art Production Intern

Entertainment Publications

May 2009 – July 2009
Troy, MI

- Created consumer materials using Adobe InDesign, Photoshop, and Illustrator

Writing Consultant

Michigan State University, Writing Center

December 2008 – May 2011
East Lansing, MI

- Presented workshops on effective PowerPoint presentations
- Assisted students with creating and editing patents, essays, websites, video projects, etc.

Technology Guide

Michigan State University, College of Arts & Letters

August 2008 – May 2011
East Lansing, MI

- Designed workflow, interface, and conducted usability tests on web applications
- Assisted staff through consultations, tech documentation, and workshops

volunteering

UX Research Intern, Prevent Child Abuse America

Conducted competitive analysis and heuristic evaluation and presented findings to stakeholders

April 2012

Web Designer, Lansing Give Camp

Created mockups and IA for non-profits and coded front end in DotNetNuke

March 2010

Designer, Information Technology Empowerment Center

Crafted mockups and IA, assisted with tech workshops for children, customized Joomla theme

September 2009 – June 2010

President, Spartan Web Authoring Team

Used HTML, CSS, & Photoshop to create mockups for non-profit and student organizations
Planned and organized meetings, workshops, and speakers

May 2009 – May 2011

Webmaster, Tower Guard Sophomore Honors Society

Volunteered 120+ hours on tests and schoolwork with disabled MSU students

August 2008 – 2009

ux skills

Affinity diagram
Competitive Analysis
Contextual Inquiry
Ethnography
Focus Groups
Heuristic Evaluation
Info Design
Info Architecture
Interviews
Persona creation
Prototyping
Sketching
Storyboarding
Survey design
Usability testing
Wireframing

tools

Axure
Balsamiq
CSS
Final Cut Pro
HTML
Illustrator
InDesign
JavaScript
jQuery
Morae
MS Office
MySQL
Omnigraffle
Ovo
PHP
Photoshop
Powerpoint

awards

2011 CHI paper
Most Outstanding
Graduating Senior
2011 nominee

courses

Contextual Inquiry
Database Design
Design of Complex
Websites
Evaluation of
Systems & Services
Fundamentals of
Human Behavior
Information
Architecture
Interaction Design
Market Research
Networked
Computing
Personal Informatics