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Product Design Leader

Delivering Return on Investment (ROI) for User-Centered Research and Design

Dynamic and visionary experience design leader with a passion for improving user-centered research and design practice in discovery of innovative solutions. I apply design thinking to drive collaboration, align strategic roadmaps, and build evidence to validate direction. My leadership style enables a culture of personal ownership at all levels to scale capabilities and develop talent. I clear space for unique approaches that quickly and consistently deliver amazing products to empower users.

Professional Experience

BEST BUY CANADA | Burnaby, BC | 2018 - 2021

UX PRACTICE LEAD. (DESIGN OPS MANAGER)

Defined a vision for growing user experience within Best Buy through cross-functional collaboration and demonstration of the value that lean, user-centered methods bring to the business.

Rapidly grew a high-performance team, hiring 14 UX designers over 2 years and mentoring designers and researchers with diverse interests and expertise at all skill levels to drive each other's excellence and push the boundaries of how we do design.

Established a career framework that defines measures of success across the various disciplines in the UX domain, to foster designers' passions by giving them a clear indication of where they stand and achievable targets for their growth.

Defined design and research standards, systematized repeatable processes, and provided templates for artifacts, to build a shared language, scale efforts across products, and enable lean team dynamics.

Built relationships with leadership across the organization in product management, engineering, retail, brick and mortar and warehouse logistics to collaboratively solve for challenges in a dynamically changing environment.

Led several successful key initiatives ranging from the experience design of the first iteration of our mobile responsive site, to sitewide experience readiness for the holidays, to creating a central team within eCommerce focused on optimization of the overall digital retail experience.

The UX Practice Lead role at Best Buy is a horizontal leadership position accountable for elevating the UX Community of Practice across omni-channel experiences including eCommerce, in-store and warehouse logistics, as well as internal employee tools and processes.

COLLIGO | Vancouver, BC | 2015 - 2018

UX / UI MANAGER

Established an Agile Lean UX strategy for the product and design teams to reduce risk and improve turn-around for multiplatform feature design.

Defined a design system for interaction design, information architecture and brand identity to increase consistency, clarity and user engagement.

Recruited, built and mentored a team of designers and contractors that worked both collaboratively and independently to apply an efficient methodology for UX design and research.

Applied user research & data analytics to produce personas, task workflows, and user journeys, to innovate **solution concepts** that address user needs and pain points.

Produced design specifications and held internal workshops to achieve alignment between client expectations, Engineering's technical capabilities and the Product's roadmap.

Usability evaluation using iterative prototypes of increasing fidelity to validate and refine UI designs.

SELF-EMPLOYED | Vancouver, BC | 2013 - 2015

PRODUCT DESIGNER / UX CONSULTANT

UX Design & Research, Product / Project Management, and Software Development for Mobile, Desktop and Web.

TELUS DIGITAL / UX GUYS | Vancouver, BC | 2014

SENIOR INTERACTION DESIGNER

Design lead for a mobile-first redesign of the TV channel package builder for both new client acquisition and existing customer configuration.

Conversion optimization of the home services acquisition flow via heuristic analysis and data analytics validated through extensive A/B testing and usability evaluation.

SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY | Surrey, BC | 2007 - 2013

LECTURER

Curriculum development and instructor for courses in user experience and user-centered design methods, interaction design, information design, and game design and development.

CT SUMMATION | San Francisco, CA | 2004 - 2006

MANAGER OF INFORMATION SYSTEMS

Defined policy and technical direction for high-availability SaaS and web architectures, and internal systems, maintaining a 99.95% uptime during a period of explosive growth.

UX design and project management implementing internal enterprise business systems for sales, production, accounting, R & D, quality assurance, and technical support.

Supervised 3 departments, including IT Networking, Production and Office Management.

UX & Business Process Expertise

- User-Centered Design: Personas, Scenarios & Use Cases, Journey Frameworks, Concept maps, Affinity diagrams, Lo-fi / Hi-fi / Rapid Prototyping & Mock-ups, Storyboards, Wireframes, Site & application structures, Interaction flow models.
- **UX Research**: User & Stakeholder Interviews and Workshops, Business Analysis, Participant Observation, Contextual Inquiry, Cognitive Walkthrough, Informances / Role Play, Heuristic Evaluation, Task Analysis, Usability Testing & Validation, Qualitative & Quantitative Evaluation, Statistical analysis, A/B testing, Ethnographic studies, Web & Field Surveys, Card Sort.
- **Product & Design Management**: Agile & Waterfall project management methods, Scrum, Test-Driven Design, Iterative & Adaptive Design, Lean & Lean UX, Business Model Canvas.

Tools

- **UX / Design**: Figma, Sketch, Miro, Mural, Adobe CS Suite (Photoshop, Illustrator, Dreamweaver, InDesign, Flash), Omnigraffle, Axure, InVision, UserZoom, Usertesting.com, Optimal Workshop, Hotjar.
- Analytics & Telemetry: Google Analytics, Adobe Analytics, PowerBI, Flurry, App Annie, MS Visio, SPSS Statistics.
- Project Management: Jira, Trello, Podio, MS Project Server, MS Teams, Slack.

Education

Simon Fraser University (Surrey, BC, Canada)

MASTER OF ARTS, HUMAN COMPUTER INTERACTION (HCI)

 Thesis work studied impact of interaction on immersion and social presence in co-located networked environments.

University of Detroit Mercy (Detroit, MI)

BACHELOR OF ARTS, ECONOMICS

Best Buy (Burnaby, BC, Canada)

- LEAD, Senior Leadership Training
- Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Course