

SENIOR UX/PRODUCT DESIGNER FOR GAMES & ENTERPRISE

12 years in UX/UI and product design with 6 in games. Master of Science, Public Interest Tech for consumer AR.

EMPLOYMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Senior UX Designer for mobile games

DoubleDown Interactive (DDI), July 2021 - September 2023

Hired to establish the UX team during a studio expansion. Led UX production concept-to-completion for our flagship service-based adventure game and contributed UX/UI for 10+ blue sky game concepts, including a personal pitch selected for Unity demo production.

Deliverables included wireframes, Figma prototypes and component libraries, motion design animatics, journey maps, user research, and technical writing. Regular **cross-functional team collaboration** with PMs, Game Design, Marketing, Product, Art/UI, QA, and Engineering.

Lead UX/UI & Art Director for a multiplayer strategy game

Xtonomous, October 2015 - January 2020 (contractor)

Designed UI/UX and **art directed illustration and animation** for "Bot Land," shipped 2019 on iOS/Android/desktop. Hired and managed 6 artists and animators from ideation to launch.

UX Manager and PM for institutional website redesign

Northern Arizona University (NAU), April 2018 - July 2021

Selected by CMO and CIO as product manager / lead UX designer for strategic web redesign, increasing RFI conversions by 12%. Internalizing strategies, articulating evidence-based design decisions, mapping information architecture, extending design systems. Oversaw production of content, assets, accessibility, and engineering by internal teams and vendors.

Senior UX/UI Designer and design team founder

Northern Arizona University, January 2014 - March 2018

Founded and led NAU's User Experience Design and Research team. Responsible for establishing adaptable team culture while defining and maintaining design patterns and UX standards. Hired, mentored, and managed senior and junior designers for team growth.

UX/UI Designer for enterprise development

Northern Arizona University, July 2011 - January 2014

Established user-centered design processes while advocating for guests of our dynamic web experiences, internal tools, and mobile apps. Led UX end-to-end for innovative subscription-based education model (\$1M Gates Foundation grant; 43% of grads first-generation).

Graphic Design Instructor at a state university

Northern Arizona University, August 2010 - June 2011

Ranked 'Highly Meritorious' while **teaching visual design courses** full-time. Classes ranged from design history and typography to production and advanced publication design.

Lead UX/UI & Art Director for a social trivia game startup

himojo/Renovatio, June 2009 - May 2010 (contractor)

Designed UI/UX and art directed startup online trivia game "The Big Bluff," shipped 2010.

Interface & Multimedia Designer for a Manhattan agency

Isocurve/Click3x, January 2007 - April 2009

Designed and produced print, motion, customer facing retail, and interaction design for Soho strategy and design agency. Agency clients included Rolling Stone, Ralph Lauren, Vudu, Nulo.

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EDUCATION

Master of Science in Public Interest Technology, graduated with distinction Arizona State University, December 2022

Graduated with a **4.0 GPA**. Exploring hospitality as a model for care in public interest product design. Technical focus on human-centered design for **wearable consumer AR**.

- Champion of the Future Award, School for the Future of Innovation in Society
- Charter Award for upholding the core value of "Access"
- Seize the Moment grant funding for feasibility study of "Elevate AR" project

Bachelor of Fine Arts in Visual Communication, graduated with high honors Northern Arizona University

Educational experience included a teaching assistantship, two art exchange semesters at William Paterson University, and an Honors capstone on Alternate Reality Game (ARG) design.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS & ABILITIES

Product & Service Design Proven product lead, casting strategic vision at a program level in a complex **service design** context: internalizing business requirements, mapping lifetime customer flow, leading discovery, and planning work phases. Compelling communicator and tactful consensus-builder, regularly called to **present to stakeholders and executive leadership**.

Game Development Prototyping at DDI required synthesis of goals from Game Design and Product teams, **creating UX documentation** (wireframes, personas, user flows, storyboards, prototypes, technical writing) for use by our Unity engineers, artists, and product leadership.

UI/UX Production 20+ years' experience in visual, interaction, and motion design. Expert user of wireframing, prototyping, and design tools (e.g., Figma, Sketch, InVision, Confluence, Adobe Creative Suite, Balsamiq, Keynote). Systems thinker, skilled at **maintaining care for human factors** while iterating functional design in light of insights from analytics and usability tests.

Games & Community As a hobbyist, I have produced several projects for the gaming community: a Twitch Actual Play for Monte Cook Games, an 18-episode interview podcast about games and storytelling, and a community-driven wiki for fans of the Invisible Sun TRPG.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Game UX Summit Masterclass, September 2022; Seattle, WA

Lean UX Practices for Games – *Rachel Leiker, Lead UX Designer at Epic Games*Focused all-day practical workshop on facilitation of Lean research methods for studios.

Game Developers Conference (GDC) Masterclass, October 2021; online

Psychology and Game UX – Celia Hodent, PhD, former Director of UX at Epic Games
Two-day course on human psychology as applied to user experience design in games.

CERTIFICATION: ProSci Change Management Practitioner, January 2019 at NAU; Flagstaff, AZ ProSci offers a thoughtful system for how to communicate change within and across teams.

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Conference on Governance of Emerging Technologies & Science, May 2023; Phoenix, AZ Presented a model for how an understanding of hospitality traditions and ethics can form a bridge between PIT principles and professional UX practice in product design.