Casey Ash

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SKILLS

- Computer-Aided Drafting (CAD)
- Precise Design Documentation
- 3D Modeling and Visualization
- Spatial Interaction Patterns
- Conceptual Idea Development
- User-centric Design Methods
- Prototyping and Iterative Design
- Cross-disciplinary Collaboration
- Product Strategy
- Attention to Detail
- Qualitative Research
- Quantitative Research

WORK EXPERIENCE

Independent Researcher

Knoxville, TN

Technospatial

May 2022 - Present

Research and Innovation: Conduct literature reviews to assess progress in robotics and artificial intelligence.

- Analyze the intersection of human factors and robotics to inform and expand interaction modality selection.
- Investigate spatiotemporal data systems to uncover opportunities for enhancing real-time interactions.
- Design comparative analysis frameworks for emerging interaction technologies and patterns.

User Experience and Interaction: Craft interface design systems for spatiotemporal applications and platforms.

- Implement user experience design methodologies to optimize human-technology interactions.
- Use Adobe Creative Suite (Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign) for concept visualizations and design documentation.
- Develop cohesive multi-device workflows to optimize seamless interactions across platforms.

Prototyping and Development: Leverage microcontrollers, Rhinoceros 3D, and Ultimaker Cura for rapid prototyping.

- Design and fabricate device housings and enclosures via additive manufacturing for cyber-physical devices.
- Select 3D printing filament, including but not limited to, TPU/TPE, ASA, PETG, LW-PLA, based on project needs.
- Create cyber-physical product designs that promote technological accessibility and bridge the digital divide.

Designer Knoxville, TN

Independent Merchant Space

May 2022 - Present

Brand Experience: Maintain and merchandise vendor space that facilitates an engaging in-store experience.

- Curate and maintain engaging vendor space showcasing 3D-printed, handcrafted, and purchased merchandise.
- Maximize small retail footprint through product curation, display strategies, and layout optimization.
- Execute end-to-end product development from 3D modeling, prototyping, and final production.
- Analyze multi-channel quantitative and qualitative data to optimize product mix and seasonal offerings.

Temporary User Experience Designer / Information Architect

Remote | Ann Arbor, MI

University of Michigan

June 2020 - May 2022

User Research: Formulated donor content personalization method based on qualitative and quantitative research.

- Delivered thoughtful analysis of 612 digital donor survey responses related to intrinsic philanthropic motivations.
- Analyzed 3 years of Google Analytics Events data to generate recommendations on information architecture.
- Evaluated the geographical reach of 6 content foci across the U.S. for dynamic content recommendations.

Design Deliverables: Integrated research synthesis and user experience strategy to accelerate implementation.

- Generated 4 nonlinear donor journeys to analyze interpersonal relationships and interactions with the university.
- Crafted 4 series of high fidelity mobile wireframes focused on digital donor data privacy and in situ research.
- Introduced digital donor experience strategy focused on the principles of network science and machine learning.

Leadership: Orchestrated internal philanthropic ecosystem discovery by collaborating with university stakeholders.

- Synthesized interview notes from 10 internal team interviews into a collaborative ecosystem diagram.
- Designed and led analysis on an attitudinal survey that reached 837 staff members with 40% completion rate.
- Communicated research results and recommendations to university leadership at both team and unit levels.

EDUCATION

Master of Architecture (3.5 year program) University of Michigan Bachelor of Science in Business Administration University of Tennessee June 2018 - May 2021