Phil Pickett

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UX Designer, UI Designer, Interaction Designer, User Researcher, Product Designer

Full-stack Designer with a hybrid of skills focused on creating Enterprise Web and Mobile applications. Experience collaborating with multiple cross-functional teams to align expectations and goals while actively championing user's needs to make intuitive user-friendly products.

EXPERIENCE

NIC Inc, Austin, TX

May 2018 - May 2023

UX Designer, UI Designer, Interaction Designer, User Researcher, Product DesignerBuilt multiple award-winning web sites and web apps with over 30 million visitors a year for the public, state agencies and their constituents.

- Utilized Surveys and Field Studies to create User Personas and supporting documentation which improved cross-team communication and shared-understanding of user's expectations and behavior.
- Solidified User Scenarios and reduced development efforts by 50% through onsite User Interviews which exposed unknown pain-points and workflows.
- Led sessions observing and documenting user behavior for improving usability which reduced total time for task completion by 40%.
- Tested design concepts with paper cut-outs directly with users to evaluate their effectiveness which reduced development time by 30%.
- Created User Flows and Service Designs which transitioned client's analog processes into all digital work-flows while establishing the application's Information Architecture.
- Created Wire-Flows and Page-Flows with InVision and Sketch for various user scenarios which reduced development efforts and increased shared-understanding among business and development teams.
- Researched and implemented popular contemporary design patterns for an interactive Social Media section on Texas.gov which won multiple awards.
- Researched and implemented industry best practices for a unified Style Guide and Design System for over 70 apps coalescing differing styles which reduced overall development time by 40%.
- Utilized Axure RP, Sketch, InVision, Craft, Adobe Photoshop and Illustrator to build wireframes, mockups and working prototypes which streamlined the product development cycle.
- Championed Accessibility-first thinking while collaborating on/designing User Interfaces which reduced QA and development cycles.
- Integrated custom design into Salesforce's Lightning Design System with HTML/JS/CSS to meet project goals.
- Increased Product Design cycle efficiency by 30% through utilizing Lean UX principles to test assumptions as quickly as possible.
- Collaborated with design teams of up to 4 designers and multiple cross-functional Agile Scrum teams with up to 9 members in the creation of applications with over 200 users and 100,000 customers.
- Led Scrum ceremonies for UX team with 9 members which increased team efficiency and focus.
- Helped organize mission-critical efforts to meet crucial contractual deadlines during a high visibility project.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Skills:

- Market Research/Competitive Analysis
- Field Research, Conducting Surveys
- User Personas
- User Scenarios
- Omni-Channel Journey Maps
- Page and Wireframe Flows
- Heuristic Evaluations
- Wireframing
- Mockups
- Prototyping
- Analytics/Heat mapping

Design Tools:

- Sketch
- InVision
- Axure RP
- Adobe Photoshop
- Adobe Illustrator
- Figma
- Visio

Methodologies:

- Human-Centered Design
- Web Accessibility Section 508, WCAG 2.0
- Atomic Design
- Lean UX
- Agile Scrum
- · SAFe Agile

CMS:

- Wordpress themes
- · Wordpress administration

EDUCATION

Bachelor's of the Arts, Music and Technology, Columbia College Chicago, Chicago IL

CERTIFICATIONS

NNgroup Certified UX Designer Since 2016

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Lean UX Bootcamp
Basic Drawing and Compositional classes at The Contemporary Austin Art School
Austin Agile University
E145 - High Technology Entrepreneurship course - Stanford

REFERENCES AVAILABLE