Braden King

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Design Researcher & Strategist that adds value by bringing a strong background in cognitive psychology & design thinking to the team. Experienced in generative & evaluative research methodologies, as well as qualitative & quantitative techniques. Believes all humans are born as creative researchers & feels grateful to work as one full time.

EDUCATION

Master of Science in Human Computer Interaction Design | Indiana University | May 2018

Bachelor of Science in Psychology with Human-Centered Computing Minor | Indiana University | May 2016

EXPERIENCE

Design Researcher & Strategist - g2o (formerly ICC/Clutch) | June 2018 - present | Columbus, OH

- Partnered with banking, retail, & government clients to plan & conduct generative & evaluative research with users
- Synthesize findings into actionable insights & strategic recommendations for clients to generate business value
- Worked on internal side projects to improve the culture as our company grew & went through a rebrand

Associate Instructor - Indiana University | Aug. 2016 - May 2018 | Bloomington, IN

- Provided graduate students with guidance and critique throughout their design processes to help develop design thinking skills
- Designed slide decks & led discussions to teach 39 students about the mutual shaping of technology and society

Project Manager - Cognitive Development Research Lab | May 2017 - Aug. 2017 | Bloomington, IN

- Managed a new research project from conception to analysis to explore how infants develop language & object recognition
- Learned quantitative methods by collecting, cleaning, analyzing, & visualizing ~80,000 survey results from Mechanical Turk

Research Assistant - Cognitive Development Research Lab | May 2014 - May 2016 | Bloomington, IN

- Curated and analyzed data from the largest infant head-cam database in the world to investigate infant cognitive development
- Trained new research assistant on methods & protocols for a variety of research projects

Design Researcher - Pudiyador | May 2015 - Aug. 2015 | Chennai, India

- Conducted exploratory qualitative research with staff to develop an information flow diagram to inform the board of directors
- Led participatory design sessions & usability testing to redesign the internal digital system of the NGO
- Project resulted in decreased cognitive load of staff & new initiatives to improve the education of Pudiyador's children

Zip-line Tour Guide & Team Building Facilitator - Rawhide Ranch | Summer 2014 & Summer 2016 | Nashville, IN

- Refined 'people skills' by entertaining groups of customers throughout an hour-long zip-lining experience
- Facilitated team building sessions to help groups of people form stronger connections & improve communication

COMMUNITY BUILDING

Service Design Global Conference 2019 Volunteer | Toronto, Canada | October 2019

2018 Computer Human Interaction Conference Student Volunteer | Montreal, Canada | April 2018

Interaction Design Practice Course Mentor | Indiana University | Fall 2017

Visual Foundations Open Labs Co-Founder | Indiana University | Fall 2017

Hoosier Leadership Program Facilitator | Indiana University | Spring 2017 & Fall 2017

Graduate and Professional Student Government Representative | Indiana University | Fall 2016 & Spring 2017