# **Cameron Giniel**

User Experience Researcher and Designer

## **PROJECTS**

# Ambiance Smart Mood Ring · IoT Wearable Device

Sep 2020 - Dec 2020

• Conceptualized, researched, conducted diary studies for, programmed, and prototyped an IoT mood and stress tracking wearable device, resulting in a mid-fidelity physical prototype and a high-fidelity companion mobile app prototype

# **Detroit Student Design Summit · Concept Design**

Jan 2020 - Apr 2020

 Framed a broad problem, conceptualized a solution, and prototyped and pitched a design that enhances connections between the Detroit Public Library and Wayne State University's Reuther Library, winning second place in the competition

#### Compass · iOS Mobile App

Sep 2019 - Dec 2019

- Designed a social and utility mobile app for iOS that makes camping accessible to beginners and organized for everyone
- Conducted user research, performed competitive analysis, mapped user flows, crafted personas, and administered usability testing to arrive at final design solution

# **WORK EXPERIENCE**

## **UX Researcher and Designer**

UMSI UX Summer Fellow | Michigan Department of State May 2020 - Aug 2020

- Conceptualized and prototyped various systems to improve absentee voter information accessibility for 1500+ cities and townships statewide
- Conducted background research, 16 stakeholder interviews, and 6 participatory design sessions; formulated competitive analysis between 7 organizations; synthesized findings, resulting in 4 recommendations for solutions to the problem space

#### **Research Assistant**

University of Michigan School of Information
Jan 2020 - May 2020

- Research assistant to professor Nazanin Andalibi for a paper on LGBTQ+ people's disclosure and support seeking on social media while experiencing pregnancy loss
- Synthesized themes among 60+ publications and wrote a holistic literature review as it related to the research questions
- Distilled and extracted themes from 17 semi-structured interviews and incorporated them into the paper's findings

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### **EDUCATION**

# University of Michigan Master of Science in Information

Concentration in User Experience Design and Research

Apr 2021, Ann Arbor, Michigan

# University of Michigan Bachelor of Arts

Film, Television, and New Media Apr 2016, Ann Arbor, Michigan

## **COURSES**

Fundamentals of Human Behavior
Contextual Inquiry
Graphic Design
Pervasive Interaction Design
Development of Mobile Experiences

#### **SKILLS**

#### **Research Methods**

User Interviews • Usability Testing • Surveys • Heuristic Evaluation • Competitive Analysis • Diary Studies • Cultural Probes • Qualitative Analysis

#### **Design Methods**

Sketching • Storyboarding • Wireframing • Prototyping • Illustrating • UI Design • Wizard of Oz • Video • Animation

#### **Tools**

Figma • Illustrator • Adobe XD • After Effects • Premiere Pro • Photoshop • Sketch • Particle Dev

#### **Programming**

Python • HTML/CSS • JavaScript • R • SQL • React/React Native/JSX