Hello!
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My Portfolio

User Experience/Information Architect with a proven track record in the industry looking for a new opportunity to apply my love for all things UX, usability, and information architecture.

### **About Me**

- 10 years of experience in User Experience, Information Architecture, and Usability.
- Expertise in wireframing and functional specifications, user research, user flows, requirements gathering, user and usability testing, landscape reviews and competitor reviews.
- Past client work includes: RBC, Manulife, CAA, Foresters Financial, Green Shield Canada, SureHealth, CAMH, SickKids Foundation, Scotiabank.
- Course instructor for the Canadian Marketing Association:
  - Conducted an in-person seminar of my own creation and design on UX 101 in February 2017
  - Created and presented a webinar on AODA and how it influences digital experiences in August of 2016.
- Recent graduate of the User Experience Design Program at the BrainStation in Toronto.

#### **UX Toolbox and Skills**

- User Experience
- Information Architecture
- Wireframes
- Heuristic Evaluations
- QA Test Plan Creation
- Requirements Gathering

- Usability Testing and Research
- In-person / Moderated Testing
- Remote / Unmoderated Testing
- Landscape / Competitor Reviews
- Sketch, Adobe XD, Axure RP, InVision, Visio, Microsoft Office (Word, PowerPoint, Excel, Outlook)

# **WORK HISTORY**

**Delvinia, Toronto Ontario** — *User Experience / Information Architect* July 2007 — June 2017 <a href="www.delvinia.com">www.delvinia.com</a>

- Responsible for building wireframes, user experience flows, prototyping, task analysis, user research, gathering user and project requirements, creating functional specifications.
- Expertise in creating digital experiences for a variety of clients (Manulife, CAA, Green Shield Canada, RBC, SickKids Foundation, Scotiabank).
- Led multiple projects including website and digital strategies, website experience design (complete website design and optimization / redesign of existing websites),

requirements gathering, user testing and design validation, survey design and research gathering.

- Experience in creating test plans, performing, and analysing results for:
  - Moderated in-person user testing
  - Unmoderated remote user testing
  - Surveys and market research questionnaires for gathering user insights,
     conducting project research, and validation of user behaviour and motivations
- Supported in large scale digital strategies. In this role I worked alongside our head strategist on a number of client related strategic initiatives for clients including: SickKids Foundation, CAMH, Foresters Financial, and Green Shield Canada.
- Responsible for overseeing and creating the user experience and Information
  Architecture for online and digital experiences created for all internal Delvinia
  projects; Methodify our automated market research platform including, our
  company websites (<a href="www.Delvinia.com">www.Delvinia.com</a>, <a href="www.getmethodify.com">www.getmethodify.com</a>, our intranet.
- Led a number of internal initiatives within the company including:
  - o Designing and running internal employee innovation workshops (Design
  - o Thinking Methodologies).
  - Team building workshops
  - Communication workshops

**General Dynamics Land Systems Canada, London, Ontario** — *Information Management (co-op student)* 

May 2006 - November 2006

- Managed and maintained a newly introduced Content Management System (CMS).
- Responsible for updating folder structures within the CMS, naming conventions, taxonomies, and employee training on the CMS.

### **PAST PROJECTS and UX EXPERIENCE**

**SureHealth** — *User Experience and Information Architecture of the direct-to-consumer website* www.surehealth.ca

Goal of the project: Design an online customer centric platform that will provide prospective customers with a seamless transactional experience and clear path to purchase health and dental insurance.

### My role:

- I conducted a landscape review, architected and created the experience for the website (sitemap, flows, wireframes, and functional specifications).
- Designed and defined the logic and question flows for the Product Recommendation Tool and Real-time Quote experience (deliverables included: sitemap, flows, wireframes, and functional specifications within Visio).
- Conducted remote user tests and design validation.

**Green Shield Canada** — User Experience and Information Architecture of Green Shield Canada's client facing website <a href="http://www.greenshield.ca">http://www.greenshield.ca</a>

Goal of the project: Redesign their existing corporate website to create an updated and innovative client-facing website that would meet the needs of the target audiences, build affinity with existing customers, tell the GSC story, reflect their corporate activities, and stay fresh and current.

### My role:

- Gathering and synthesizing the business and design requirements for the website (participating in multiple stakeholder interviews, conducting a landscape review of competitors and defining the experience direction with stakeholders.
- Developed the website experience and strategy and approach.
- Produced sitemap and architecture, wireframes, and functional specifications within Visio to illustrate the overall website experience and templated page layouts for the website.
- Led a performance review 1 year after launch that included: an analytics review, stakeholder interviews, customer survey, and UX review.

CAA Health and Dental / Life Insurance — User Experience Strategy and Information Architecture of the direct-to-consumer website and product selector tool <a href="http://www.caalifeandhealth.ca">http://www.caalifeandhealth.ca</a>

Goal of the project: This was a multi-phase project that involved consolidating CAA's individual insurance websites for Life and Health and Dental insurance into a single optimized website.

### My role:

- Requirements gathering with key stakeholders.
- Designing the overall website experience and intending interactions.
- Within the experience design phase, I used Visio in creating wireframes and functional specifications, the logic requirements and architecting the consolidated Product Recommendation and Quote Tool.
- Conducted rapid prototyping and user tests via InVision.

Foresters Financial — Information Architecture of the website <a href="http://www.foresters.com">http://www.foresters.com</a>

Goal of the project: Update Foresters Financial online presence from a brochure style to a customer-centric, lead generating website.

### My role:

- Worked alongside the head strategist and supported the process of gathering the business and technical requirements for the project.
- Led the experience design and architecture of the website's templates and page design. Created sitemap and website hierarchy, wireframe templates, and functional specifications within Visio.
- Led and performed remote user testing to validate the design approach and key user tasks.

# **Education**

**BrainStation** — Full Time User Experience Design Program June 2017 - August 2017

University of Western Ontario, London Ontario — Master's Field Of Study Library and Information Sciences
September 2006 - April 2007

Wilfrid Laurier University, Waterloo Ontario — Bachelors of Arts, Honors Anthropology September 2004 - April 2006