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**school** School of Visual Concepts  
Seattle, Washington  
User Experience Certification

Oregon State University  
Corvallis, Oregon  
Graphic Design, BFA 2008

**tech** Adobe Design Suite  
Sketch  
Figma  
Microsoft Office Suite  
HTML 5 / CSS  
Windows/MacOS  
FontLab / Glyphs  
Visual TrueType

**design** Icon systems  
UX Design  
UI/Visual Design  
Prototyping  
Web Design  
Font Creation  
Font Hinting  
Typography

**useless facts** An alright guy  
“Legally” ordained minister  
From California/Oregon (sorry...)  
Homebrewer  
Co-inventor of the visual aesthetics of the undo/redo button in Excel  
(United States Patent: D715835)

**experience** Microsoft | Contract | Product Designer 3 | Redmond, WA  
Nov. 2016 to current

*Windows and Devices Group (Horizon Studios)*

- Create and manage companywide icon system.
- Consult with various company partners on icon direction.
- Lead design discussions on the future of Microsoft iconography.
- Work with PMs and Engineers on implementation strategies.
- Train new designers.

Microsoft | Contract | Designer 3 | Redmond, WA  
Dec. 2010 to Sept. 2016

*Office 16 (2014-2016)*

- Help redesign new style for Office
- Spearhead the image-to-font icons for usage in Office.
- Work with PMs and Engineers on implementation and management.
- Train designers in unique workflow.
- Build prototypes to validate design decisions.
- Design and organize the internal guidelines into fully developed and customized SharePoint site

*Office 15 (2010-2014)*

- Work with 10 other designers on a project consisting of over 50,000 assets
- Co-design the new icon system for Office “Fresh” along with it’s mobile versions
- Co-design and produced the final document and product icons for Office 2013
- Help produce redlines for various features and apps
- Set up the keywords for the internal search system

Allopus | Designer | Seattle, WA

Jan. 2012 to Mar. 2012

- Began early work on the document and product icons for Office 2013
- Train studio designers with the Office “Fresh” style

FILTER Studios | Designer | Seattle, WA

Dec. 2009 to Dec. 2010

- Work in collaboration with Microsoft and Filter Studios
- Produce icons for Office, Office Mobile, Exchange, and other Microsoft products

Microsoft | Contract | Designer | Redmond, WA

Oct. 2008 to Oct. 2009

- UI design of Outlook 2010
- Work with other designers, project managers, developer and researchers to overcome various usability issues
- Produce redlines and assets for final product.
- Icon production and design