ZINAN CHI

Product Engineer & Designer | 3 Years

- A dedicated proponent of technology to empower people and liberate creativity.
- Detail-oriented problem solver with high-quality execution, translating concepts into actionable plans.
- Thrives in fast-paced environments, committed to community initiatives.

EDUCATION

Harvard University Graduate School of Design

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MIT cross-registration

Machine Learning, 3D, Vision May 2024, Cambridge MA

Washington University in St. Louis

B.S. Computer Science B.S. Architecture 3.97/4.00, summa cum laude May 2020, St. Louis MO

SKILLS

PORDUCT DESIGN

Research Usability Testing Prototyping Figma, Adobe Notion

DESIGN, 3D

Blender, Render, CAD 3D printing Robotic Arm

PROGRAMMING

Python, Pytorch, NeRF Web (HTML, CSS, JS) React, TS iOS dev, Unity dev AWS, OAuth, APIs

WORK EXPERIENCE

Product Designer, AUTODESK

Boston MA

May 2023 - August 2023

Conducted user research and competitor analysis to gain insights into market opportunities.

Designed three end-to-end data selection features and collaborated cross-functionally with engineers and PMs for Dynamo, a visual programming tool for design automation in the AEC industry.

Initiated cross-organizational discussion and prototyped Large Model Viewer into Dynamo, resulting in a 30% reduction in file transfer time.

Software Engineer, HARVARD LAW SCHOOL

Cambridge MA

April 2023 - Present

Develop and integrate an end-to-end **AI** application in the Harvard Law School Library end-processing department, utilizing LLM to generate call numbers and subject headings with book information input.

Engineered prompt queries across multiple foundation models and analyzed their accuracy and edge cases, achieving **78%** accuracy and **3%** time consumption compared to an experienced librarian.

Product Designer, MORROW

Nashville, TN, Remote

Jan 2024 - April 2024

Designed and prototyped end-to-end features on Morrow Platform, a financial service for American workers, resulting in a 40% increase in user productivity and a 117% increase in time spent on the Morrow Platform.

Collaborated cross-functionally in a seed-stage **agile startup**, owning product management document (PRD) with user research via interviews.

Front-end UX Engineer, LOTUS

Cambridge MA

April 2023 - Jan 2024

Delivered **0-1** design for Lotus App, a reproductive health-focused social platform for women+. Developed and documented the design system.

Engineered the front-end interface with SwiftUI. Developed AWS networking integration to backend data.

Conducted usability tests on MVP features, utilizing feedback to drive iterative enhancements.

Designer, UNSTUDIO

Amsterdam NL

September 2021 - September 2022

Planned and designed retail space for Porsche China, delivering strategic concepts and construction details with the completion of construction.

Designed **three** competition-winning projects (in Saudi and China) and **two** design-research projects, collaborating cross-functionally with business development, marketing, and construction teams.

Managed a team of four for a competition entry submission.

Research Assistant, WASHU

St. Louis MO

June 2020 - June 2021

Optimized data computation and reduced computing time by **50%** for Catoptric Surface, an efficient daylight research project jointly led by the Computer Science and Architecture Departments at WASHU.