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# Michelle Partogi

Design Researcher & Strategist

## **Education**

#### M.S. Digital Media

Georgia Institute of Technology School of Literature, Media, and Communication Aug. 2014 – May 2016

### **B.S.** Computational Media

Georgia Institute of Technology

College of Computing Aug. 2011 – May 2014 Cumulative GPA: 3.95

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## **Notables**

Master's of Digital Media Project Award May 2016

Best Social Enterprise Award at HackATL May 2015

1st in GT Convergence Innovation Competition for an Educational iOS app Nov. 2013

## **Specialties**

Interviews
Participatory Design
Service Design
Ethnography
Presentations
UI/UX Design

## **Skills**

Java	Photoshop
Javascript	Illustrator
HTML/CSS	InDesign
PHP/MySQL	After Effects
Arduino/C	Premiere
iOS	Keynote

## **Publication**

Partogi, M., JafariNaimi N. Fostering Organizational Change through Co-Designing Collaborative Media. In Proceedings of GROUP '16. (Nov 13–16, 2016).

## **Experience**

Design Researcher University of Pennsylvania | PHL, PA Jan. 2016 – Aug. 2016

- Led interdisciplinary collaboration embedding human-centered strategies into an educational and mental health consulting service.
- Conducted observations, interviews, literature reviews, and co-design workshops.
- Translated research insights into thought leadership during monthly admin check-ins.
- Designed UI/UX and developed mobile/web app fostering a community of 120+ educators.
- Successfully wrote grant proposal for \$8,000 from the McMorris Autism Foundation.
- Won Best Project out of graduating Digital Media cohort.

Design Strategist Intern Spark Corps | Atlanta, GA Sept. 2015 – Nov. 2015

• Wrote Design Thinking curriculum used by an elementary after-school program.

Creative Technologist Intern Deeplocal | Pittsburgh, PA May 2015 – Aug. 2015

- Led office improvement research engaging staff through interviews and co-design activities; summarized findings for administration.
- Created prototypes and presentations for clients such as Google and Nike.
- Designed and developed physical computing installations using Node.js, Arduino, Pi, etc.

Graduate Teaching Assistant Georgia Tech | Atlanta, GA Aug. 2014 – Dec. 2014

- Facilitated weekly discussions in 20-40 student classes around computing's historical and cultural implications.
- · Led coding workshops and helped students brainstorm creative computing possibilities.

- Collaborated with interdisciplinary team designing UI/UX for IBM enterprise products.
- Leveraged interviews, user personas, and competitive analyses to inform designs.
- Crafted rapid prototypes and user stories to pitch product concepts to clients.
- · Reimagined service for college recruitment and presented prototypes to senior leaders.

## **Activities**

#### **Publicity Chair**

#### China Care, Georgia Tech

Aug. 2014 – May 2015

Coordinated advertising campaign for event that sold over 400 tickets.
Established current branding guidelines.

#### **Event Coordinator**

#### China Care, Georgia Tech

Aug. 2012 - May 2013

Planned monthly events teaching adopted kids Chinese culture. Managed 10-20 volunteers during events.