

# chris brooks

designer. developer. strategist.

## education

### The Art Institute of Washington

Bachelor of Fine Arts, Web Design and Interactive Media | December 2011

## professional experience

### CTO, Technologist, Senior UI/UX Designer/Developer Dream in Color, LLC. | June 2012 - Current

Currently working on projects through my own company - Dream In Color, LLC. Also available for freelancing/contracting and/or fulltime opportunities.

### Senior User Interface Developer Navy Federal Credit Union | March 2018 - Current

Collaborated with a diverse team of designers, developers, product managers, and content writers to roll out a brand new version of the customer facing Navy Federal Credit Union website which serves over 8 million members.

Utilized component-based development, the Agile methodology, complex SASS logic, SVN, jQuery/Javascript, and modular page architecture while working in two week sprints.

### Senior UI/UX Designer/Developer The Office of Financial Research | November 2014 - February 2016

Worked with a small team at the Office of Financial Research (a subsidiary of The Department of Treasury) to create an all-encompassing web presence. My responsibilities included information gathering, user experience research, the creation of wireframes/mockups and lastly, assisting with the buildout of a responsive website using Jekyll, SASS, Git, YAML, Bower, Grunt, and Markdown by way of the agile development process (Jira, Stash, Confluence).

### UI/UX Designer/Developer The American Institutes for Research | March 2012 - October 2014

Responsible for the UI/UX design/development and branding for a number of websites funded by the U.S. Department of Education including Find Youth Info (Federal Interagency Working Group on Youth Programs), State Training and Technical Assistance Center (Office of Juvenile Justice, U.S. Dept. of Justice), and The Center on Great

### UI/UX Designer/Developer Georgetown University | March 2011 - March 2012

In a collaborative, team oriented environment utilized HTML/CSS, JQuery, and a multitude of social networking platforms and frameworks to create interactive experiences for Georgetown Alumni. Maintained the universities brand essence by closely adhering to brand guidelines.

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## TOOLS

Sketch  
Adobe Creative Suite  
Axure  
Invision  
Sublime Text 3  
HTML/HTML5  
CSS/CSS3  
Responsive Design  
SASS/LESS  
Compass  
Drupal  
Wordpress  
Pantheon  
Git  
Jira/Stash  
Grunt  
Bower  
Bootstrap  
jQuery  
Jekyll  
ArcGIS

## EXPERTISE

Front End Development  
User Experience  
Standards Compliance  
Branding  
Typography  
Development Workflow

## STANDARDS

508 Compliance  
Cross Browser  
Mobile First  
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## contracting experience

### Lead Senior UI/UX Developer WestEd | October 2017 - December 2017

Worked with a small team to execute a complete digital rebranding of the existing WestEd.org Wordpress website. Modified and customized template, SCSS/CSS, and partial theme files while optimizing both the development and build processes using Gulp.

### Senior UI/UX Designer/Developer Catholic Relief Services | October 2016 - December 2016

Utilized a cloud based development and deployment platform (Pantheon) to update, modernize, and add new features to more than 20+ Drupal and Wordpress sites. Also utilized Drush and WP-CLI to both simplify and automate daily development tasks.

### Senior UI/UX Designer/Developer Evans and Chambers | September 2016 - October 2016

Conceptualized, executed user experience research, and front end development for a new big data analysis and analytics tool for the Defense Intelligence Agency by way of Evans and Chambers. Used the material design methodology to create wireframes and mockups, and used material design lite (MDL) to create detailed interactive prototypes.

### Lead Designer/Developer Alqimi | July 2016 - February 2017

Carried out user experience research, designed, and developed the front end of a cloud based (was eventually deployed on AWS) Java big data and social media analysis and analytics tool. Also reworked predefined components of the existing interface to create the best experience for all users.

Utilized Bitbucket Pipelines for continuous integration. Worked primarily with a remote team and also lead instructional development workshops on Git, SASS, NPM, Gulp, and Bower.

### Senior UI/UX Designer/Developer Health Management Academy | June 2016 - July 2016

Assisted with the modernization and integration of old content pages into a new Drupal 7 theme. Also adjusted and reconfigured an assortment of layouts to better align with the new theme's aesthetic while ensuring that these adjustments were optimized for multiple devices and browsers.

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