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EDUCATION

De La Salle University - Manila   2007–11

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

WORK EXPERIENCE

Tor Project   2023–24

Product Designer

- Translated novel censorship circumvention techniques into simple user interfaces.
  - ‣ I had a good understanding of the algorithm which made it easy for me to collaborate with developers and other designers.
- Significantly improved the desktop and Android design libraries.
  - ‣ I attended a twice-a-month call with Mozilla to keep our browser designs in sync and to share ideas with each other.
  - ‣ I updated the libraries to use the latest features from Figma like Figma Variables to help make the design process smoother.

DuckDuckGo   2018–23

Product Designer

- Lead, researched, and designed important search engine features.
  - ‣ My knowledge of both programming and design made me valuable to stakeholders because I could easily collaborate with everyone from project managers to developers to copywriters.
- Designed features that significantly improved users' privacy.
  - ‣ My knowledge of the underlying technology that's (ab)used by surveillance capitalists made it easier for me to design and collaborate privacy features with developers.
- Designed features across the board from the search engine to the browser extension to the mobile app.

DuckDuckGo   2013–18

Frontend Engineer

- Core developer of the open source Instant Answer repositories.
  - ‣ Reviewed both frontend and backend code from open source contributors.
- Worked on DuckDuckGo's search engine, marketing, and community-oriented websites.
  - ‣ I made sure I spent additional time shipping accessible and maintainable code.
- Made sure to champion and incorporate accessibility at the company.

OTHERS

- **Package maintainer for OpenBSD.** I'm actively maintaining packages for privacy tools, programming languages, and emulators.
- **Running a shared OpenBSD server.** I'm maintaining a server that offers shell access, email, games, etc. to the public.

- **Teaching non-technical activists about technology.** I've been presenting privacy and security concepts to activists in my spare time to keep people safe.
- **Fundraising and organizing.** I've been involved in mutual aid efforts to help fundraise and to get people to join multiple actions.