

# Ben Myers

## Skills

Data visualization

UX design

Accessible design

Figma/Sketch

Adobe Suite

HTML

CSS/SASS

JavaScript

React

Python

WordPress/PHP

Git

SQL

QGIS

Project management

Writing/reporting

Research

## Education

### American University

Bachelor of Science  
Computer Science &  
Audio Technology

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May 2013

## Experience

### Alley

Lead, User Experience Design    December 2021 — Present

Senior User Experience Designer    January 2020 — November 2021

User Experience Designer    August 2018 — December 2019

Website and data feature design for clients in the journalism, government, and non-profit sector. Development of React applications and WordPress websites to strict WPVIP coding standards. Product strategy and management to meet client goals on tight deadlines.

### The Chronicle of Higher Education

News Applications Developer    April 2015 — August 2018

Design, data analysis, development, research, reporting, and writing to produce data visualizations, long-form features, and microsites. Co-management of Data & Interactives team for one year.

### Decisive Analytics Corporation

UI/UX Engineer    March 2014 — April 2015

Web application design and development focusing on data visualization in the areas of machine learning and computational linguistics. Research, data analysis, and contributions to academic papers.

### Mission Focus

Software Engineer    May 2013 — March 2014

Implementation of web applications that employed data visualizations to provide structure and context for disparate information sources such as email, text, Tweets, geographic data, and photography.

### Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (GXM Consulting)

Intern    June 2011 — April 2013

Development of Android applications in support of DARPA's Transformative Apps program, the Department of Defense's first successful effort at designing and deploying tactical smartphones.