

Michael Helmbrecht

Product designer · Pittsburgh, PA

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Work

Adjunct instructor

Carnegie Mellon · Jan 2025 – Now

Advising student capstone projects.

Lead designer

Archipelago · Jan 2019 – Nov 2022

Designed products, processes, & features for a new application for commercial real estate insurance.

Founded the design team! Led or advised almost all major projects for the first 4 years of the company.

Product designer & developer

Kidfund · Jan 2017 – Jan 2019

Developed new iOS consumer product with founders.

Owned the whole product cycle: user research, design, copywriting, implementation, & deployment.

Designer & marketer · Realm · 2015–2017

Led site & content for developer-focused marketing.

iOS developer · Motiv · 2014–2015

Developed iOS app & device SDK for wearable device.

Education

Master of Human-Computer Interaction

Carnegie Mellon
2012–2013

BS in Electrical Engineering

Mississippi State
2008–2012

Skills

System design

Concept simplification

Thoughtful & clear communication

Good vibes

Tools

Figma + FigJam

Google Sheets

GitHub

TypeScript + Svelte

Mixpanel Analytics