Joshua Morse

Product Design Leader

Broomfield, Colorado

For over 15 years I've led design for growing companies in B2B SaaS, healthcare, fintech, cloud, security, consumer goods, and more, resulting in designs that secured millions in revenue, improved conversion rates by over 250%, and ranked at the top of analyst magic quadrants.

As an experienced UX leader with a passion for cross-functional collaboration, team mentorship, UX best practices, user research, empathy, design thinking, end-to-end product design, design systems, and product and design strategy, and my leadership skills will empower teams to deliver great products that customers love.

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SKILLS

Product Design

- · Accessibility standards (WCAG and 508)
- Design sprints and workshops
- · Design system creation and maintenance
- Flowcharts
- High-fidelity mockups
- · Information architecture
- Interaction design
- Prototypes (mid-high fidelity)
- Visual design principles
- Wireframes

UX Research

- Contextual interviews
- Journey maps and Storyboards
- Persona creation and maintenance
- Survey creation and analysis
- Usability testing
- User research methodology
- · Web analytics and data analysis

Leadership

- · Agile Scrum and Kanban processes
- Employee performance and mentorship
- Hiring management
- Lean UX processes
- OKRs and SMART goals
- Roadmap planning and strategy
- Writing and communication

WORK EXPERIENCE

Product Design Manager

January 2024 - February 2024

Lexicon Services (remote)

• Led the design team in the implementation of Agile and Lean UX processes and a new design system until the project was canceled.

Director of Product Design

November 2021 - May 2023

RxVantage (remote)

B2B SaaS startup connecting healthcare providers with treatment information.

- Oversaw design of a new mobile and desktop data dashboard that drove six-figure upsells of our enterprise life sciences manager product.
- Led user research that uncovered major issues with our top roadmap item, leading to a seven-figure revenue pivot by delivering the treatment information most important to health care providers and patients.
- Led new cross-functional, lean UX processes with engineering and product leadership and a new design system using Figma and Storybook which increased team velocity by over 25% in Jira reports.
- · Organized, hired, managed, and mentored a diverse design team.
- Following broader company layoffs which heavily impacted the design team, I took time to travel, visit family, and improve my skills.

Lead Product Designer

July 2020 - October 2021

Very Good Security / VGS (remote)

B2B SaaS startup that secures critical financial data and optimizes payments.

- Led design and research for a new onboarding flow, increasing conversion of our fintech security Vault product by over 250%.
- Led the creation a new design system and a new look and feel with improved accessibility and visual design that customers loved.
- Oversaw design updates for VGS Collect, a flexible payments UI builder.
- Managed a cross-functional team of product and brand designers.

User Experience Manager

September 2018 - July 2020

Flexera Software (remote)

Diverse enterprise IT portfolio company that acquired RightScale in 2018.

- Designed Flexera's onboarding connector, speeding time-to-value by over two months and leading to millions of dollars in enterprise cross-sells.
- Increased team velocity through the implementation of Lean processes.
- Led the UI integration of RightScale products into Flexera's portfolio, including UI updates and a new unified login portal.

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SOFTWARE PROFICIENCY

Product Design Software

- · Adobe Creative Cloud
- Axure RP
- Figjam
- Figma
- InVision
- Miro
- Sketch
- Userinterviews.com
- Usertesting.com
- Zeplin

Other Software

- Appcues
- Asana
- Atlassian Suite (Confluence & Jira)
- GitHub
- Google Analytics
- Google Suite
- Heap Analytics
- Hotjar
- Intercom
- · Microsoft Office
- Mixpanel
- Productboard
- Salesforce
- Snowflake
- SurveyMonkey

Programming Languages

- HTML 5
- CSS3 & Sass
- JavaScript
- SQL
- TypeScript

WORK EXPERIENCE

User Experience Manager

April 2010 - September 2018

RightScale Inc. (Santa Barbara, CA)

RightScale was a B2B SaaS startup producing cloud management products.

- Led the design of top-ranked enterprise cloud products in the 2019
 Gartner Cloud Management and 2018 Forester Wave Cloud reports.
- Led design and research for the launch of Optima, which increased qualified enterprise leads in our target market by over 25%.
- Implemented cross-functional UX practices with company leadership resulting in 40% velocity increases for both product and engineering.
- Oversaw the creation of the custom RightScale Design System.
- Grew and mentored a talented team of UX designers and researchers.

Information Architect

May 2008 - April 2010

Enlighten (acquired by Perficient)

Digital agency working across verticals. Acquired by Perficient in 2015.

- Led design for six-figure, award-winning products for a range of clients, including Hunter Douglas, John Frieda, and Merrell Shoes.
- Led a transformation to more efficient design tools and processes.

Software Developer

July 2005 - August 2006

Epic Systems Corporation

The largest electronic medical records vendor in the U.S.

- Wrote UI and back-end code for the Oncology software product.
- Conducted onsite usability research in hospital settings.

EDUCATION

M.S. in Human-Computer Interaction

August 2006 -April 2008

University of Michigan School of Information

- Received the top School academic prize, the Margaret Mann Award.
- Second place at the ACM-SIGCHI Student Design Competition.

B.S. Computer Science, B.A. English

August 2001 - May 2005

Hope College

- Received the Computer Science & Literature Senior Prizes.
- Awarded the prestigious National Merit Finalist Scholarship.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

Nonprofit UX Volunteer Team Lead

2021 - 2023

- With the Boulder UX Research Meetup, I led junior UX professionals through a full UX research process to improve UX for three nonprofits.
- Nonprofits included Colorado Uplift (2021), Shadowcliff Retreat Center (2022), and the Colorado Gives Foundation (2023).

Professional Meetup Activities

2012 - 2024

- Co-founded the Santa Barbara UX Meetup and UX Book Club.
- Official mentor for Hexagon UX. Unofficial mentor for Denver UX.