

# Michael W. Beach | Curriculum Vitae

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## Education

- Sept. 2018 - PRESENT **Ph.D. Human Centered Design & Engineering**  
University of Washington, SEATTLE, WA
- 2014 - 2018 **B.S. Human Centered Design & Engineering**  
**B.A. Comparative History of Ideas**  
University of Washington, SEATTLE, WA
- 1999 - 2005 **A.A. Psychology**  
State College of Florida-Manatee, SARASOTA, FL

## Research

- June 2018 - PRESENT **Graduate Research Assistant (with Charlotte P. Lee) | Sociotechnical Design: Creating a Data Repository for the Study of Marine Ecosystems**  
University of Washington, SEATTLE, WA
- Conducting ethnographic research and drawing on “action research” and participatory design methods to help a multi-disciplinary group of investigators and scientific stakeholders come together to design and develop shared understandings, priorities, practices, methods, software tools, and computer architectures that will lead to the development of a data repository.
- 2015 - PRESENT **Research Assistant (with Charlotte P. Lee) | Model of Coordinated Action (MoCA)**  
University of Washington, SEATTLE, WA
- Developing a theoretical framework to define and describe coordinated-action. Conducting a retrospective content analysis of CSCW (Computer-Supported Cooperative Work).

## Professional Experience

- 2012 - 2017 **Designer / Developer**  
Team Bubbly  
Digital production agency based in New York City, NY  
Designed, developed mobile & web experiences. Worked closely with marketing specialists, photographers, copywriters, editors, and print houses remotely. Team Bubbly clients include: Esquire, BMW, Nike, Gucci  
TeamBubbly.com/
- 2007 - 2012 **Designer / Developer**  
Seagrape Studios  
Self-owned and operated mobile & web design company based in San Francisco, CA and Boston, MA  
Designed, developed mobile & web experiences. Worked closely with marketing specialists, photographers, copywriters, editors, and print houses remotely. Clients include: Liancarlo, Rock Paper Photo, Reality Pictures, Whole Child Action  
SeagrapeStudios.com/

## Extra Curricular

- SPRING 2018 **Lead & Facilitator of Focus Group**  
Focus Group: Ethical Design Thinking & Practice  
Comparative History of Ideas - University of Washington, SEATTLE, WA  
Lead and Facilitator of Focus Group to ideate, discover, plan, design, prototype, evaluate, and iterate on our creations using reflective practices and value sensitive design methodologies.
- 2015 - 2017 **Curriculum Committee Member**  
Comparative History of Ideas Curriculum Committee  
Comparative History of Ideas - University of Washington, SEATTLE, WA

## Awards

- 2018 **Travel Award, CSCW Conference**  
New York City's Hudson River (Jersey City)  
\$316 travel funding to attend research conference
- 2018 **CHID Research Award, Focus Group**  
University of Washington, SEATTLE, WA  
\$250 funding to design and facilitate Ethical Design Thinking & Practice focus group