

# Georgette M. Sullivan

Human-Centered Senior User Experience Designer

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## Profile

I am human-centered Senior User Experience Designer experienced designing new and existing products for complex domains with complex technology like unstructured data, machine learning, and artificial intelligence. I also have the unique ability to learn and communicate complex domains/users to my peers on a product team so that we can collaborate, align, iteratively design/develop and products that are useful and usable.

While at IBM I lead the design/redesign of Watson for Drug Discovery and Watson for Patient Safety. When Watson for Patient Safety is released it will be a market disruptor and one of the most “cognitive” applications created by IBM. At Dell I redesigned multiple legacy products within the Information Technology domain, including collaborating on the strategic direction for Dell/Wyse Device Manager.

## Skills

- Product Design with Machine Learning and Artificial/Augmented Intelligence
- Data Visualization
- Design Strategy
- Design Systems
- Design and Systems Thinking
- Team Leadership/Collaboration
- Project Management
- Agile/Lean UX
- Experience Research
- Inclusive Design
- Contextual Inquiry
- User and Stakeholder Interviews
- Iterative Design Testing
- Workshop Planning and Facilitation
- Coaching and Mentoring

## Experience

**Director of Product Design** | Austin, TX | [Compeat Inc.](#) April 2018 to July 2018

Day-to-day design leadership that fostered a shared understanding of user-centered design at the intersection of design, business, and technology.

**Senior UX Designer/Design Manager** | Austin, TX | [IBM](#) Aug 2014 to April 2018

**Watson for Drug Discovery** | Design Team Lead

- Improved the product’s usability by understanding the user and their domain, microbiology in drug research and discovery, so that the product would work for the user.
- Lead the product team through the ten-month redesigning of 6 disjointed applications into a single product experience for microbiologist doing drug research, development, and repurposing.
- Designed a product that immediately sold upon release and is being used by users without help to discover genes and proteins not known to be associated with diseases like ALS, MS, Parkinson's, Cancer and possible a “cure” for these and many more diseases.

**Watson for Patient Safety** | Design Strategist during discovery, Design Team Lead/Manager

- Conducted primary and secondary research to validate the business strategy with users and define the products design strategy.
- Onboard the design team by transferring my expert domain knowledge.
- Lead the client and product team through the product definition phase and maintained team alignment throughout the release plan.
- Championed the user needs over business process within the product leadership team and development team so that the product solved both the user and business needs.
- Lead the design of a product that uses machine learning and natural language processing to improve consistency, accuracy, reduce time and cost of processing adverse events.

**Associate Professor of User Experience** | Austin, TX | [AustinCC](#) May 2015 to Aug 2015  
Planned and implemented an introductory level user experience course so that design students had a foundation in human-centered design and Design Thinking.

**User Experience Designer** | Austin, TX | [Dell](#) Aug 2011 to Aug 2014  
**Wyse Device Manager** | Design Strategist

- Embedded myself within the product team to promote collaboration and alignment.
- Completed experience research with the product teams, clients and key stakeholders to identify product usability issues and areas for usefulness improvements.
- Adapted and shorten the project timeline to reflect the new business direction.
- Delivered a vision prototype to development so that the product development could begin.
- Designed high-fidelity visual designs with specifications so that the remote development team could quickly learn a design language new to them.

**iDRAC** | User Experience and Visual Designer

- Reduced bottlenecks and dependence on design by moving my focus from tactical to strategic.
- Informed and helped prioritize the product release roadmap by using experience research and using an iterative design process so that the product solved more user needs.

**Web Specialist II** | Overland Park, KS | [Sprint](#) Oct 2007 to Aug 2011  
Collaborated with cross-functional teams to translate business and user requirements into workflows, wireframes and visual design compositions.

**Web Designer/Developer** | Overland Park, KS | [Landajob](#) and [ComSys](#) Jan 2007 to Oct 2007  
Developed kiosk and websites that were of usable, accessibility and web standards.

**Creative Genius** | Kansas City, MO | [Breakthrough Marketing](#) Feb 2006 to Jan 2007  
Re-designed websites so that server load was reduced by half, saving clients money and delivering an improved user experience. Decreased site production from four months to six weeks.

**Exhibit and Advertising Manager** | Lawrence, KS | [PROSOCO, Inc.](#) Oct 1999 to Feb 2006  
Managed marketing projects across all touchpoints from concept to completion. Coordinated vendor relationships to reduce production time and cost.

## Education

**Master of Arts in Interaction Design** | University of Kansas

May 2011

**Bachelor of Arts in Graphic Design** | Kansas Wesleyan University

June 1993