



ABOUT ME

I am a mixed-methods behavioral scientist skilled at integrating the empathic eye of anthropology with the careful experimental design of psychology to provide deep insight about user behavior. I have 7 years of experience designing and managing human-centered research online, in the laboratory, and in field settings.

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SKILLS

Quantitative	Qualitative
Survey Design	Interviewing
A/B testing	Usability testing
Card Sorting	Journey mapping
Eye tracking	Thematic Analysis

Tools / Data Analysis

R Programming
ANOVA/Regression
Qualtrics
SQL
Figma

COLTAN SCRIVNER

UX Researcher, Behavioral Scientist, & Author



EXPERIENCE

UX RESEARCHER

2022 — Current

META — HEALTH / SOCIAL IMPACT

- Conducted foundational understand research on user needs to inform product development and growth.
- Analyzed external stakeholder expectations and advised leadership on a project that impacted cross-functional organizational structure.
- Identified key research questions and prioritized projects for short and long-term investment.

RESEARCH FELLOW

2016 — 2022

INSTITUTE FOR MIND AND BIOLOGY

- Designed and led short-term and multi-year projects on human cognition and social interaction.
- Mentored and managed multiple researchers. Led research strategy across workstreams.
- Organized and led workshops and conferences with cross-functional team members.
- Hired researchers to work on various projects.
- Led field studies on dating in collaboration with industry partners.

UX RESEARCHER INTERN

2021

FACEBOOK – MENTAL HEALTH

- Led a key Q2 project that generated insights that shaped product growth decisions.
- Effectively and creatively communicated results to a cross-functional team of stakeholders.



EDUCATION

Ph.D.
Comparative Human Development
2022

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

- Multidisciplinary training in anthropology, psychology, sociology, and biology.
- Pioneered the study of morbid curiosity and became the leading expert on the topic.

M.S.
Forensic Science
2016

UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL OKLAHOMA

- Developed a novel method for distinguishing between DNA from identical twins.

B.A.
Anthropology
2014

OKLAHOMA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

- Minors in biology and natural science.



PUBLISHING

Book:
Dark Minds, Soft Hearts
2024 Publication

PENGUIN RANDOM HOUSE

- Writing a popular science book on the psychology behind our fascination with the mysterious and macabre.
 - Editor: Matt Klise
 - Agent: Max Brockman