

HUMAN-CENTERED DESIGN & ENGAGED MEDIA

INFO 6940/ENGL 4705/INFO 4940/COML 4231 Wed & Fri RCK 102 12:25 – 2:20 and ZOOM for Partner Meetings Prof. Jon McKenzie • jvm62@cornell.edu • Office: W 2:40-4:00

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This StudioLab course connects critical design teams with researchers, activists, and community stakeholders. Practicing methods of research translation, design thinking, and participatory action research, students collaborate on projects through Cornell Cooperative Extension and community organizations in the US and Africa:

Project 2 Create

Working with your partner and class research, create 1) a set of **prototype designs** for your partner based on 2) a set of corresponding 3 or more written **user scenarios** and visual **journey maps** depicting the cascading series of desired interactions between players (users) and TK. Use Google docs, WordPress, Canva, and/or other platform to create a revised **1-page design brief** with design challenge, **2,000-word report** and **5-minute presentation** of your team's work for feedback.

The second project focuses on the CREATE phase of design thinking, the prototyping of possible solutions and opportunities within the reframed design challenge, the specific wants statement of your partner. We are becoming-builders of collaborative platforms for making media, both formalizing and customizing your team's platform (workplay space) and connecting it to those of your partner and their stakeholders. You are building on Proj 1 toward Proj 3 partner deliverables and project site.

This project introduces you to two key UX genres of shared media: *user scenarios* or short written descriptions of idealized experiences of users in concrete situations interacting with the partner/media; and *user journey maps*, graphic depictions of the different sequences of interactive experiences over time and/or space. Scenarios give the overall XD, journey maps give the IA.

Based on your scenarios and maps, you'll be prototyping the types of media *and* stakeholder experiences we want to help our partners create, describing them in the report with media cascades but transmediating them in different genres to describe, evaluate, and make your prototypes. The number and variety of prototypes and their quality (concreteness/resolution) are determined by YYP (you and your partner!).

We're rehearsing strategic stories with our partners using different shared media and then archiving them on our site while delivering them in the final DELIVER phase of class. For your report, you can revise and build to your first report or create a new one. Continue demonstrating your teams' growing understanding and application of CAT, UX, DT, Strategic Storytelling and TAFs (thought-action figures—or just figures).

Your team should assign tasks to individual members and provide collective support and feedback.

Deadlines: Prototypes, scenarios, journey maps 3/22 Report and presentation 3/29

Design Research

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Develop the Approach

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DEVELOP THE APPROACH

Creation is about developing deeper understanding and translating that understanding into new innovations. There are many ways to do this, but the two most common are participatory approaches and empathic approaches. Use one or both of these approaches, develop your own, or draw upon different techniques when appropriate.

METHOD: PARTICIPATORY CO-DESIGN

Having the team co-design solutions with people from the community and local value chain actors can be a great way to leverage local knowledge. It can also lead to innovations that may be better adapted to the context and be more likely to be adopted, since local people have invested resources in their creation.

Consider using participatory co-design when:

» you need a lot of local expertise and knowledge

Facilitate a co-design workshop. Bring 8-20 people

from the community together to design solutions to

a challenge. Introduce the challenge by telling a few

stories of problems that led to the design challenge.

Then generalize those stories to How Might We?

with the participants and make sure you have the

appropriate materials on hand to prototype.

statements. Ask people to add their own stories or How Might We? questions. Brainstorm solutions

- » solutions from the "outside" will not be easily adopted
- » the politics of a community require it

Step 2. Schedule a co-design session or series of sessions that works for everyone, and explain the process and goals of the session in advance.

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Step 3. Conduct co-design sessions with attentions to the needs, goals, and priorities of the community. CHAPTER 3

Becoming Builder: Generating Collaborative Platforms



Fig. 3.1 KAMG group presentation of reCLAIM Café by Miranda Curry, Aaron Hathaway, Keegan Hasbrook, and Grace Vriezen. University of Wisconsin– Madison. 2016. (Photo by author)

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Facilitator Notes
Time:
Days-Weeks.

☆ Difficulty: ★★★☆☆

Step 1. Identify constituents who would be good design team members. The criteria will vary from place to place and from challenge to challenge. For example, do you need people who are successful, respected. and/or politically powerful? Or would it be more valuable to have people who are typical community members? Or perhaps a mix of the two.

UX (User Experience) Frame

Experience design: cognitive, affective, and viseral impact on user (tutor art: theater)

• **Experiential** architecture: **structure** of information and experience (*tutor art: architecture*)

Information design: look and feel of individual moments (tutor art: graphic design)

DT(TK->YPP*)

***Your Partner's Project**

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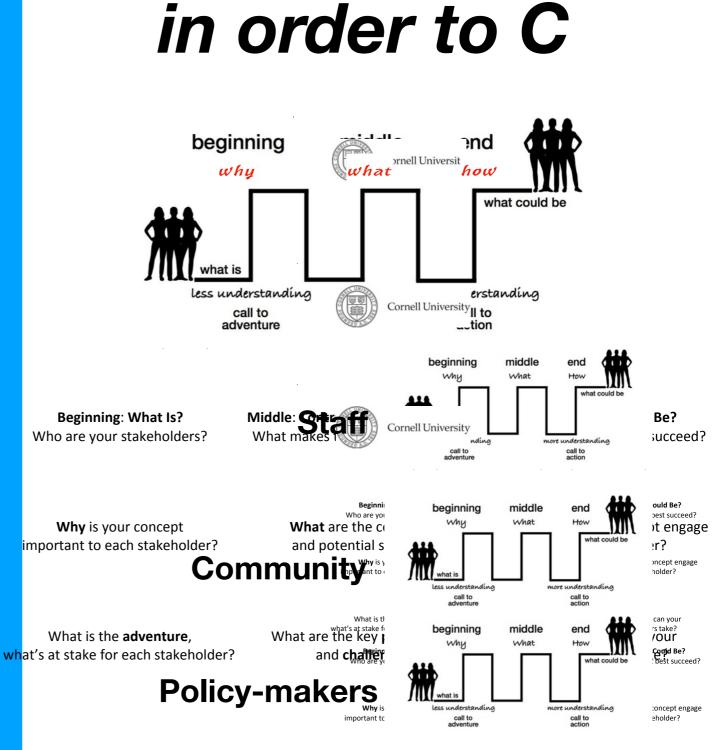
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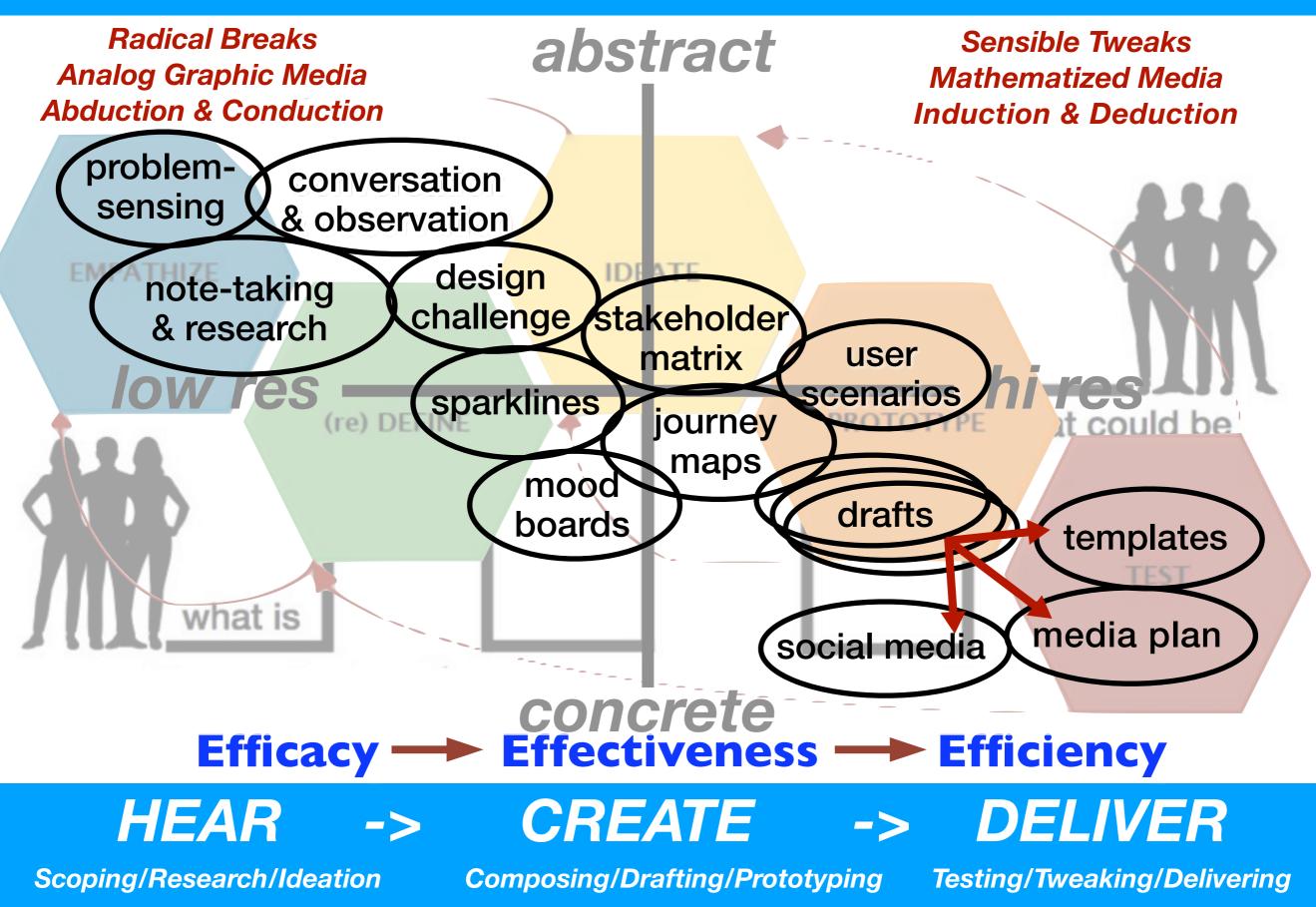
Design Challenge

WhyWhatHow Sparkline

Stakeholder Sparklines



Design Research Cascade



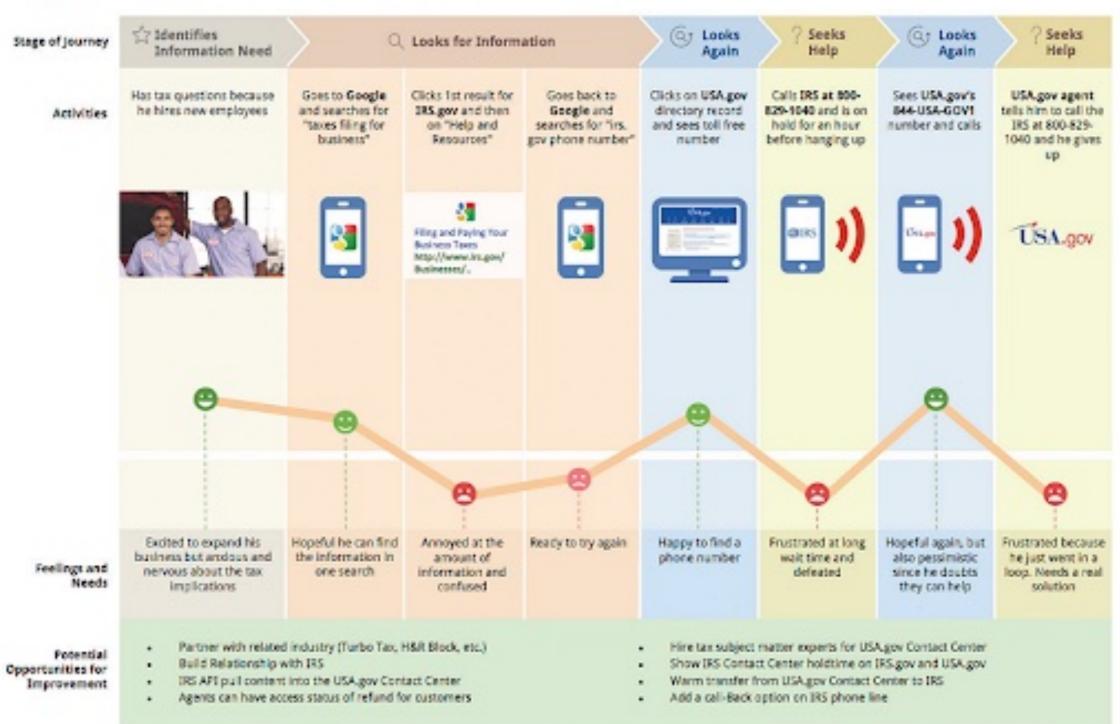
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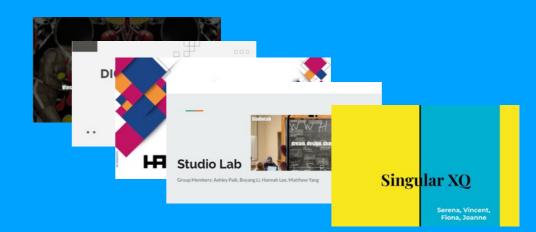
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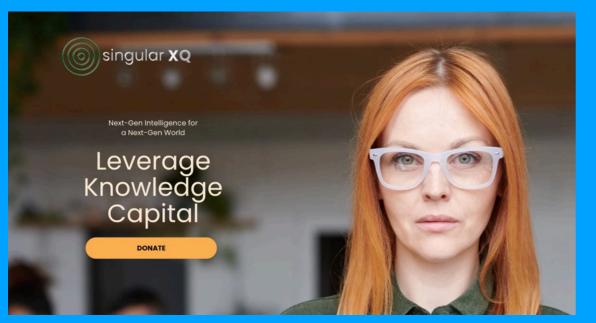
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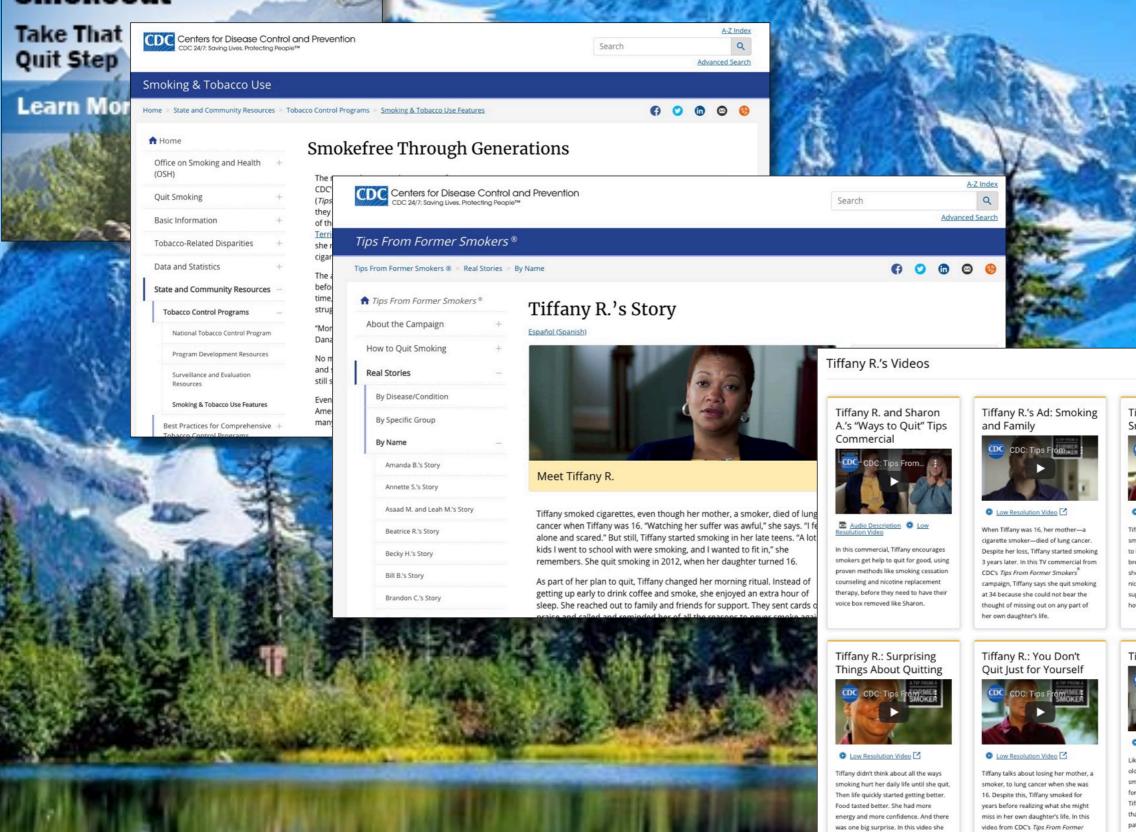
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DATE OF INCIDENT 19.02.2022	LOCATION Normandale Park, Portland, Oregon	FORUMS Exhibition, Media
COMMISSIONED BY Self-Initiated	June 'T-Rex' Knightly was murdered while preparing to protect a racial justice protest, by a perpetrator inspired by toxic rhetoric from right-wing influencers and politicians. Four others were seriously wounded. False statements by Portland's police after the attack implied the victims provoked the mass shooting. We worked with survivors to reconstruct the event, and challenge the police account.	

DATE OF INCIDENT 07.10.2023 - Ongoing	LOCATION Gaza, Palestine	FORUMS Legal Process, United Nations, Human Rights Report, Media, Web Platform
COMMISSIONED BY Self-Initiated	Since 7 October 2023, we have aggregated news reports of Israeli military attacks on medical infrastructure in Gaza. Our analysis suggests that hospitals in Gaza have been subjected to a pattern of intimidation, direct targeting, siege, and occupation by the Israeli military over the course of the 2023 invasion.	

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The Great American Smokeout





Low Resolution Video

Tiffany had an emotional reason to quit smoking: as a teen, she lost her mother to lung cancer. She knew that restroom breaks and car trips would tempt her, so she carefully planned to quit by using nicotine patches, walking, and friends' support. In this video, Tiffany talks about how she quit smoking for good

Tiffany R.'s Decision



O Low Resolution Video

Like many smokers, Tiffany had seen an older family member harmed by smoking, yet she kept buying cigarettes for herself. In this emotional TV ad, Tiffany talks about the "aha" moment that sent her on a different, healthier path for her own life.

says, "The money I save from not

smoking is absolutely great!"

Smokers" campaign, Tiffany's

daughter's, Jaelin, says she cannot imagine living without her mother, Jaelin goes on to tell her mom how proud she is of her for quitting smoking for good.

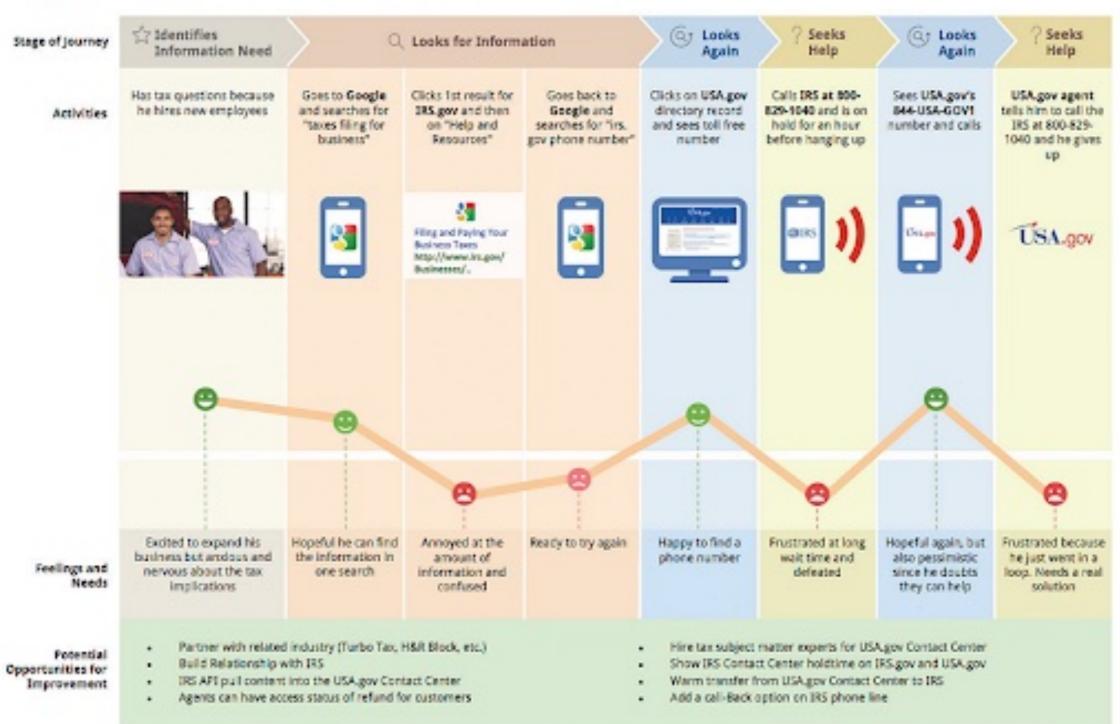
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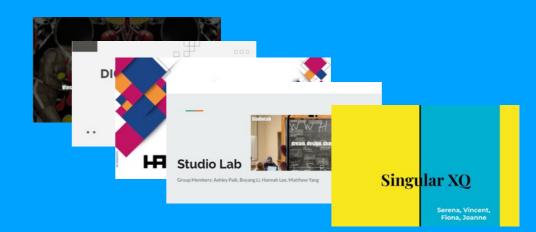
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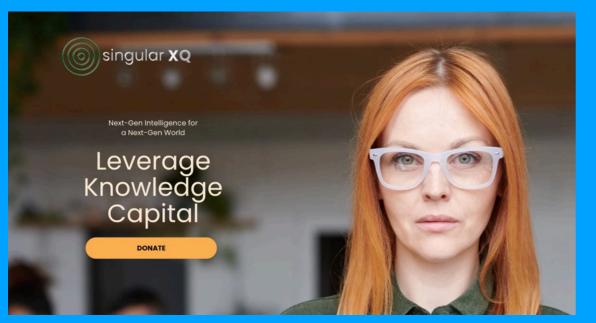
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