

# Benjamin Choon Heng Lee

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## SUMMARY

User Experience Researcher with experience conducting qualitative, quantitative, and mixed-methods research across diverse business functions and settings. I specialize in discovery and evaluation research through interviews, observations, and prototype testing. I translate research insights into actionable recommendations, design frameworks, and evidence-based guidelines that inform product and research decisions.

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### JPMorgan Chase & Co.

New York, NY, USA

Senior Associate Research Scientist at *Global Technology Applied Research*

June 2024 – Present

- Conducted semi-structured interviews and observational studies with 10+ financial advisors and trainers to understand existing workflows, usability challenges, and opportunities for improvement by leveraging emerging technologies such as AI/ML and spatial computing
- Co-designed and conducted a classroom field study with 80+ middle-school students playing a financial literacy game, using pre/post-tests and focus groups to measure learning gains and engagement; findings influenced stakeholder to move the game towards production
- Developed and evaluated an alpha-stage data visualization library with four domain experts in-the-wild, identifying usability issues via semi-structured interviews to guide iterative design improvements
- Demonstrated research concepts, prototypes, and study results to internal and external C-suite executives and at firmwide events (1,000+ attendees), showcasing technical feasibility and applications of emerging technologies

### University of Stuttgart

Stuttgart, Germany

Postdoctoral Researcher at *Visualization Research Center*

February 2023 – April 2024

- Led a mixed-methods controlled study of spatial computing techniques to address persistent 3D perception challenges in scientific workflows, later validated by six computational chemists in realistic analysis tasks
- Identified behavioral patterns of 19 users in a smart-home setting through video coding and thematic analysis, translating findings into actionable design recommendations
- Developed standardized design patterns and terminology to improve clarity and usability in data visualization and motion guidance systems

### Microsoft Research

Redmond, WA, USA

Research Intern at *Visualization and Interactive Data Analysis Group*

June 2019 – September 2019

- Designed and built immersive data experiences that enabled general audiences to understand data through visceral experiences, validated by qualitative usability studies and continued researcher adoption

### Monash University

Melbourne, Australia

Doctoral Researcher at *Data Visualization and Immersive Analytics Lab*

February 2019 – January 2023

- Conducted exploratory evaluations of collaborative prototypes with dyads and triads, uncovering behavioral patterns and strategies through interaction logs, video coding, questionnaires, and thematic analysis

## EDUCATION

### Monash University

Melbourne, Australia

Ph.D. in Immersive Analytics

February 2019 – January 2023

## SKILLS

- **Methods:** Semi-structured interviews, field studies, controlled studies, exploratory research, surveys, pre/post testing, mixed-methods research, usability evaluation, thematic and behavioral analysis, research synthesis, design recommendations, design spaces
- **Tools:** Figma, Miro, R, Python, Tableau, D3.js, SurveyMonkey, Google Forms, Zoom, Git