

# Salomi Gandra

Turning Ideas into Impactful Solutions | Product & Program Management | Vision ■ Execution ■ Collaboration  
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## Summary

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Driven by curiosity and creativity, I'm passionate about turning ideas into solutions that make an impact. I thrive at the intersection of people, technology, and strategy—where vision meets execution, and problem-solving meets collaboration. Always learning, always building, always moving ideas forward.

## Core Strengths

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- **Product Thinking:** Translate user needs into clear goals, write lean PRDs, shape ideas into actionable roadmaps.
- **Program/Project Execution:** Milestones, risks, dependencies, on-time delivery; run Scrum/Kanban rituals.
- **Stakeholder Management:** Align cross-functional teams with crisp updates, decision logs, and clear acceptance criteria.
- **Data-Aware Decisions:** Define success metrics, review dashboards, iterate with qualitative & quantitative feedback.
- **Communication:** Executive summaries, status reporting, user onboarding/training, accessible documentation.
- **Growth Mindset:** Continuous learning in product & program management; calm under change, bias for clarity.

## Experience

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### Web Developer

Church Life Apps (Biblego.org)

Oct 2023 – Jul 2024

Cleveland, OH

- Designed and deployed React/TypeScript/Next.js APIs that enabled **500+ learners** to reliably access course content.
- Introduced Agile(Jira, Git) QA and delivery practices, **reducing feature release cycle times**.
- Partnered with cross-functional teams to translate requirements into **inclusive, accessible** digital solutions.
- **Key Achievement:** As part of a cross-functional team, delivered BibleGo.org, a platform now serving many users.

### Graduate Assistant — Academic Technology

Cleveland State University

Sep 2022 – May 2023

Cleveland, OH

- Monitored and supported classroom technology (projectors, printers, lab equipment), ensuring reliable operations for faculty and students.
- Updated and maintained university websites in collaboration with the administration team, ensuring accurate and accessible academic content.
- Assisted with data management tasks, including uploading and validating faculty and departmental information on institutional platforms.

- Provided technical support and training for faculty and staff, improving adoption of digital tools and reducing downtime.

**Web Developer — CSU 2.0 Transition Project**  
*Cleveland State University*

**Oct 2023 – Jul 2024**  
*Cleveland, OH*

- Contributed to the Drupal 9–based CSU 2.0 initiative, which unified five colleges into a single website.
- Collaborated with cross-functional teams to migrate and integrate departmental websites under the new CSU 2.0 structure.
- Managed faculty data systems using **FileMaker Pro**, ensuring accurate records and streamlined reporting.
- Supported email communications and outreach campaigns via **Mailchimp**, increasing stakeholder engagement.
- Ensured accessibility compliance and usability across migrated sites, supporting an inclusive digital experience.

## Education

**M.S., Computer & Information Science**  
**B.Tech, Computer Science & Engineering**

Cleveland State University, USA  
 TKR College, India

*Aug 2021 – May 2023*  
*Jul 2015 – May 2020*

## Certifications

- Google Project Management Certificate — *In Progress*
- Applied Agile/Scrum Practices — *Academic & Nonprofit Projects*

## Skills

**Core:** Product Management; Program & Project Management; Agile (Scrum/Kanban); Stakeholder Management; Prioritization (RICE/MoSCoW); OKRs; Risk & Dependency Mgmt.; Communication; Cross-functional Collaboration; Problem Solving  
**Tech Exposure:** React; Next.js; TypeScript (*applied in projects*)

**Tools:** Notion; Jira; Confluence; Figma; Miro; Google Workspace; Excel/Sheets; MySQL; Git; HTML5/CSS3; Drupal

## Languages

English (Fluent) ▪ Telugu (Native) ▪ Tamil (Fluent) ▪ Hindi (Fluent)

## Awards & Interests

Monte Ahuja Scholarship (Academic & Leadership Recognition)

Product Management; Technical Program Management; Project Management; Agile; Scrum; Kanban; PRD; Roadmap; OKRs; Stakeholder Management; Risk Management; Metrics; Dashboards; Accessibility; User Research; Jira; Notion; Figma; MySQL; Excel