Simran Kaur

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Experience

Design Graduate Assistant

Pratt Foundation | 08. 2024-Present

- Developed comprehensive design systems and accessibility guidelines
- Implemented user-centered design solutions
- Built a Figma plugin to ensure consistency across departmental materials
- · Provided UX consultation for accessibility improvements

User Experience Consultant

One Degree Impact | Leading grant writing firm | 10. 2024-12.2024

- Led UX research initiative with 12 industry professionals, uncovering critical issues in grant service presentation that increased user comprehension by 84%
- Transformed complex grant service offerings through iterative design
- Developed data-driven pricing strategy recommendations based on user feedback, aligning business goals with ethical industry standards
- Created enhanced trust-building elements for digital presence, strategically positioning credibility indicators that improved user confidence

Lead Designer & Creative Director

Neki aur Pooch Pooch | A dog toy startup | 02. 2024-08.2024

- Led comprehensive UX design process from research through implementation
- Conducted user interviews and usability testing to inform design decisions
- Managed cross-functional teams, establishing brand identity and design system
- Ensured consistent cross-platform UX based on qualitative user feedback

Communication Designer

Lopez Design | Indian award-winning design studio | 03. 2023-06.2024

- Spearheaded brand identity design for multiple projects
- Established scalable design systems and component libraries for major clients
- Led a team of three designers, implementing design thinking principles
- Designed responsive websites, ensuring seamless user experience across devices
- Created user journey maps to align business goals with user needs
- Developed comprehensive brand experiences complete with guidelines, systematic documentation and usage principles

Design Intern

Qomix | World's first nonfiction comics app | 05. 2022-09.2022

- Designed UI architecture for storytelling-based narrative news articles, improving readability and user engagement
- Created responsive design systems for consistent user experience. Worked on ensuring accessibility and scalability for efficient deployment across teams.

Design Consultant

CCG, National Law University, India | 11. 2021-08.2024

- Transformed complex legal content into user-friendly publications tCreated comprehensive visual language systems including custom illustrations, layouts, and typography. Designing solutions across print and digital platforms
- · Managed print production process, coordinating with vendors to ensure quality

Programs

Samsung Research Institute, Bangalore

PRISM Program | 10. 2022-01.2023

- Conducted user research to understand Generation Alpha's interaction preferences
- Developed user personas and journey maps for avatar-based experiences
- · Created wireframes and prototypes
- Presented research findings and design recommendations

Amazon Music Challenge Winner

Winning Team in the "Pitch Perfect" Category | 02. 2025-03.2025

- Developed BeatDrop, a social music feature combining human curation with Al-powered mixing
- Presented winning pitch to Amazon Music stakeholders, articulating business impact and user benefits

Education

Pratt Institute

MS Information Experience Design | 2024 - 2026

- Pioneering graduate degree—a blend of the information science (IS), human-computer interaction (HCI), and user experience (UX) disciplines.
- Focus on UX research, human-centered design, prototyping, user testing, and speculative design.

National Institute of Design, India

Bachelor of Design Communication Design | 2019 - 2023

- Graduated top 3 of the batch
- Focus on Graphic Design, Branding, Publication Design, Animation, User Experience Design, and Design Systems.

Skills

Design

 $\label{thm:continuous} User\ Experience \cdot Interaction\ Design \cdot User\ Interface \cdot Physical\ and\ Digital\ Prototyping \cdot Visual\ Design \cdot Wireframing \cdot Low-High\ Fidelity\ Mockups \cdot Design\ Systems \cdot Style\ Guides \cdot Accessibility\ Guidelines$

Research

User Interviews · User Testing · Information Architecture · Journey Mapping · Quantitative Analysis · A/B Testing · Competitor Analysis · Design Strategy

Software

 $\label{eq:figma} \begin{tabular}{ll} Figma \cdot Adobe \ XD \cdot Illustrator \cdot InDesign \cdot After \ Effects \cdot Photoshop \cdot Figma \cdot Premiere \ Pro \cdot Cinema \ 4D \cdot Blender, \cdot Processing \cdot P5.js \cdot HTML \cdot CSS \cdot Javascript \ Arduino \ (working knowledge) \cdot Adobe \ Audition \cdot HTML \cdot CSS \cdot JQuery \ (working knowledge) \cdot Python \ (working knowledge) \end{tabular}$

Visual Design

 $Poster\ Design\cdot Branding\cdot Typography\cdot Iconography\cdot Book\ Design\cdot Book\ Binding\cdot Web\ Design\cdot Stylesheets\ and\ Guidelines$

Other Skills

Rapid Iteration · Cross-functional Collaboration and Communication · Human-centered Approach · Provide and Solicit feedback · Design Thinking · Agile Methodologies · Project Management

Awards, Certificates and Achievements

IBM Z Xplore - Concepts | 2025

IBM SkillsBuild — Ethical Considerations for GenAI | 2025

IBM SkillsBuild — Build Your First Chatbot | 2025

Scholarship for winning the Amazon Music Challenge | 2025

Student Leadership Award Nominee | 2025

Pratt Merit Scholarship | 2024

Top Performer, Samsung PRISM Program | 2023

Represented NID at the VDC in Lucerne, Switzerland | 2022

Co-founded Dejiner Log and procured govt. funding || 2021

Co-founded Pulao, an NID student Zine | 2021