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SUMMARY

Graduated with a Master's in Human-Computer Interaction from Newcastle University, I have expertise in delivering user-centric design solutions that enhance business profitability for small businesses *(Kindly check my portfolio link above).* With a strong passion in Human-AI Interaction and knowledge about the Uk digital market, I am seeking opportunities for a role as a User Experience Designer. I hold the right to work in the UK under a PSW visa.

EDUCATION

MSc in Human-Computer Interaction 1st | Newcastle University | 2023 – 2024 | Vice chancellor scholarship

- **Modules:** Human-Artificial Intelligence Interaction (Dist.), Research Methods in HCI (Dist.), UX Design Methods (Dist.), Java programming (Dist.).
- **Dissertation:** MSK Pain Management and prevention Support Through Targeted Digital Applications in laparoscopic surgeons(Dist.).

Bachelors in Architecture 1st | Periyar Maniammai University, India | 2014 – 2019 | Merit scholarship |

- **Modules:** Human-centered design (1st), Digital design and fabrication (1st), Building Information modelling (1st).
- **Dissertation:** Introspection, Spirituality, and Divinity: The Confluence of Sacred and Profane in Contemporary Sacred Architecture (Dist.).

WORK EXPERIENCE

User Experience Design Intern | ICSC - Lilies leaf trust | June 2024 - July 2024 | London | Remote

- Applied interaction design principles to improve Anti Apartheid centre website navigation, enhancing access to activities and increasing user interaction by **25%**.
- Designed and implemented the Anti-Apartheid Centre's first newsletter with clear, appealing design, increasing events registrations by **35% in 2 weeks**.
- Wrote Blogs about Anti- apartheid centre and designed high quality social media (Video and image) post for events and provided easy navigation to website pages increasing event registration.

User Experience Design Intern | Newcastle University | January 2024 - June 2024 | Newcastle, UK

- Conducted qualitative research and communicated data –driven insights in board presentations, accelerating decision–making by **30%**.
- Collaborated with the IT team during prototyping to deliver the webpage design **15% faster**, securing prompt board approval and advancing the project.
- Delivered a detailed high-fidelity prototype **12 days early** by refining user experience through usability testing, improving satisfaction from **65%** in test 1 to **92%** in test 3.

Interaction Designer | XeA Innovations Pvt. Ltd | July 2022 - July 2023 | Bangalore, India

- Revived a stalled project by aligning design with the client's system, completing it **30%** faster, boosting client trust, and securing an additional project, increasing revenue by **15%**.
- Aligned the prototype design with client needs, securing approval in a week, reducing the design cycle by **25%**, and strengthening client relationships.
- Established a deep user behavior understanding, realigned design to client goals, secured immediate approval, and increased retention by **30%**.
- Applied a user-centered design process and clearly communicated design solutions and rationale in

- team presentation, expediting approval by 25% without expert support.
- Translated design thinking into tangible products through storyboards, user flow diagrams, and wireframes, delivering clear specifications and reducing refinements by **20%**.

Senior Architect | Trilogue Studio | March 2021 - July 2022 | Bangalore, India

- Led design teams for HCL and Infosys, delivering projects on time and within budget, increasing client satisfaction and repeat business by **20%**.
- Led cross-functional teams, identifying challenges and reduced design errors by 15% and improved project efficiency by **25%**.
- Coordinated with stakeholders and a team of 6, managing time and resources effectively, delivering designs 20% ahead of schedule and cutting labour costs by **15%**.

Junior Architect | Parallax Architects | January 2020 – January 2021 | Bangalore, India

- Oversaw all phases of residential projects, reducing execution time by **20%** and enhancing project accuracy through meticulous planning and material experimentation.
- Led cross-functional teams, coordinating with various consultants (Electrical, structural, automation) to ensure timely and efficient project completion.

PROJECTS

Simpli-charge (Patent number: 202441011217) | Manipal Academy of Higher education | March 2023 | India

Invented and patented an efficient charging device with integrated wire retraction, optimizing the
charging process and improving user convenience, with potential market applications in consumer
electronics.

JMFOA Association Website redesign | Jaffna Medical Faculty Overseas Alumni | May 2023 | London, Uk.

• Increased membership registration by **45%** through the redesign of an interactive landing page, collaborating with JMFOA doctors and the backend developers to deliver the project within **2 weeks**.

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- SAgE Student Ambassador led campus tours of ~20 and held talks to promote university
- **SAgE Recruitment and Experience Champion** Solved admission issues for incoming students, increasing student intake by **15%** for 2024-2025.
- **VEX Robotics Mentor** Mentored **2** teams of kids on VEX code and problem-solving, achieving finals.
- **IWD Global Techathon AI mentor** Mentored a team of 6 on designing and delivering an AI product, winning a special mention award.

ACHIEVEMENT

- NCL + Award Awarded Student Excellence Award by Newcastle University for the year 2023-2024.
- Ignite Launch Program Awarded Top 15 Best Start-up Idea in the UK 2024 by Barclays Eagle Lab.
- Volume Zero International Award Awarded the Global Top 50 Design Award 2021.

LANGUAGES, SKILLS AND CERTIFICATES

- Languages: English (advanced proficiency), French (intermediate proficiency), Tamil (native).
- **Skills:** Figma, Framer, InVision, Blender, Autodesk Revit, SketchUp, Adobe Creative Suite (Adobe XD, Adobe Illustrator, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe After effects, Adobe InDesign), Sketch, Microsoft Azure, WordPress, Fusion 360, Axure, JavaScript, HTML, CSS, Java.
- Certifications: Autodesk Revit, 3D printing, UX Certification (IDF), Java Programming.