## **MAYANK SAXENA**

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#### **EDUCATION**

**Indiana University Purdue University (IUPUI)** 

M.S in Human-Computer Interaction Graduation Date: May 2023

**Manipal Institute of Technology** 

B.Tech in Computer Science Graduation Date: May 2017

#### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

IUPUI Indianapolis, IN, USA

Product Design Intern

Jul 2023 - Present

Indianapolis, IN, USA

Manipal, KA, India

- Collaborated with Toyota Mobility Foundation to identify and address food pantry delivery challenges.
- Conducted 30 surveys and 9 interviews with food pantry leaders in Indianapolis to gain a deep understanding of their
  operational processes and the hurdles they encounter.
- Leveraged the gathered data to identify 4 food pantries and 1 supplier for **contextual inquiries** of their food supply processes and develop **Value Stream Maps (VSM)** and **Spaghetti Maps (SM)** to visualize and analyze their workflows.
- Scheduled to deliver well-documented VSM and Spaghetti maps to engineering, business, and HCI teams at IUPUI in September to identify pain points and devise effective solutions to enhance food pantry delivery processes.

ALLEO Indianapolis, IN, USA

VR Product Designer (Contract)

Jul 2023 - Present

- Developing a proof of concept for a VR meeting application, replicating my client, Alleo's collaboration product in VR.
- Conducted primary and secondary research to gain insights into the current VR Meeting application landscape and
- Utilized the requirements to ideate and sketch the User Experience and develop this application on Unity using C#.
- The VR application will provide an immersive experience, enabling two users equipped with Oculus Quest 2 headsets to interact as avatars within **3 distinct collaborative environments** and perform **5 different tasks**.
- Scheduled the completion of the proof of concept by September, with plans to present it to the client's customer for evaluation. The successful acceptance of the POC may lead to a potential full-time project opportunity.

ANSYS Canonsburg, PA, USA

UX Design Intern

Aug 2022 - Apr 2023

- Designed 10 controls for the Ansys **design library** on Figma for designers and developers to easily access and utilize consistent screen components for Ansys products.
- Developed **survey** and **interview** tools to gather feedback from 16 Ansys users with **color blindness**, to identify key issues they face while using Ansys software. The analysis of the data will be used to develop a user-centered design solution.
- Collaborated with the development team and conducted **heuristic evaluation** of 2 Ansys software components to identify usability issues and recommend design changes.
- Revised 24 key icons for the Ansys software in accordance with industry-leading web standards.

understand the specific requirements and preferences of the client's customers.

BYJUs Bangalore, KA, India

Senior Creative Associate

May 2017 - Aug 2021

- Over the span of 4 years, assumed multiple roles, including video animator, assistant director, scriptwriter, game designer, and project manager, to develop digital educational products for K3.
- Led the successful execution of the capstone project for grades 1 & 2 within the Create With Math (CWM) product, resulting in the launch of 125 games. As of 2023, the CWM product boasts an impressive ~125,000 paid subscribers.
- Collaborated with Disney to conceptualize, design, and launch 2 modules of interactive games for Disney BYJU's Early Learn (DBEL) product. As of 2023, DBEL has witnessed remarkable growth, amassing ~5.5 million paid subscribers.
- Acquired invaluable skills in collaboration and efficient deadline management during my tenure at BYJUs, enabling me to
  effectively contribute to team projects in an agile environment.

### **SKILLS**

**Design:** Illustration & UI graphics, Strategy & vision presentation, User flows, Concept sketches, Wireframes & mock-ups on Figma, Motion design on After Effects, Design system

Prototyping: Rapid prototyping on Figma, 3D on Unity, Spline, and After Effects

Research: Data analysis, Task analysis & persona, A/B Testing & Experiment, Cognitive walkthrough, Survey and Interview

# **ACHIEVEMENTS**

Bagged 2nd place in 3 UX design challenges conducted at IUPUI.