Anirudh Nagraj

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User experience professional with 4 years of experience both in corporate and industry sponsored research.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

RESEARCH ASSISTANT (Toyota Funded Research on Mobility) Sep 2019 – Present | University of Maryland, Baltimore County

- Research Assistant to prototype a belt that aids legally blind runners.
- Analyzed existing market products, simulated scenarios, and created affinity maps to inform prototype design.
- Evaluated prototype feasibility with the help of a field experiment in an obstacle course followed by user interviews.

USER RESEARCHER | Shared Services Center

Sep 2020 - Present

- Lead mixed methods research initiatives on qualitative and quantitative data.
- Performed heuristic evaluations on the Shared Services Center website to uncover usability problems related to content placement and navigation.
- Improved search relevance and content discovery through the insights gained from usability testing.
- Improved NPS from 30 to 50 by implementing contextual inquiry driven recommendations.

RESEARCH ASSISTANT | University of Maryland, Baltimore County Dec 2019 - Dec 2020

- Working under Dr.Ravi Kuber, I investigated real world navigational habits of legally blind individuals in low- and medium-income countries.
- Developed guidelines for future assistive technologies in the navigational space from context interviews and qualitative coding.

SOFTWARE ENGINEER (UI/UX) | L & T Infotech

Aug 2017 - Jun 2019 | Bangalore, India

- Conducted generative research on customer insurance portals to determine product roadmap.
- Managed websites by integrating front end web technologies using Adobe Experience Manager.
- Developed a web portal for an insurance client of L & T Infotech (HSB) to process quotations for customers across the globe.

ACADEMIC PROJECTS

USER RESEARCH AND DESIGN | B-AID

May 2020 - Dec 2020

- Created storyboards and user personas for an audio navigation mobile application.
- Ran card sorting to draw patterns, group data, and help create the information architecture for the application.

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, BALTI-MORE COUNTY

Master of Science in Human-Centered Computing Expected - August 2021 GPA: 3.925 / 4.0

R V COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Bachelor of Science in Information Science

2013 - 2017 GPA: 7.91/10

CERTIFICATIONS

Social/Behavioral Research - CITI Issued: Dec 2019, Expires: Dec 2024

SKILLS

METHODOLOGIES

Contextual Inquiry, User Interviews, Qualitative Coding, Usability Testing, Heuristic Evaluation, Affinity Mapping, Participatory Design, A/B Testing, User Journeys, Dairy Studies, Card Sorting, Storyboards, Surveys, User Personas, Focus Groups

UX DESIGN

Wireframing, Brainstorming, Prototyping, Whiteboarding, Interaction Design, Accessibility, User Centered Design

TOOLS

Adobe XD, Figma, InVision, Sketch, Balsamiq Mockups, Adobe Illustrator, JIRA, AirTable, Survey Monkey, Miro

PROGRAMMING

HTML, CSS, JavaScript, SQL