

Career Research Assignment Worksheet

1. Student Name: Joseph Kennish
2. Job Description: To start off, UX stands for User Experience. A User Experience designer is in charge making the look and feel of a website work. Sometimes they will work in teams or by themselves depending on the company. They will definitely work indoors in an office type of setting for the most part.
3. Salary: Depending on which specific job you're looking into; the lowest salary was a visual designer at \$60k/year and the highest salary was a usability analyst at \$127k/year.

Bigby, Garenne. "UX Careers 101: The Guide to User Experience Careers." *101: The Guide to User Experience Careers*, dynamapper.com/blog/19-ux/176-ux-careers.

4. Working Conditions: Depending on the job obviously, most of them are in cities in offices or studios. Some UX designers are freelance workers, meaning they can work whenever they want and how much they want, most likely from their own home.
5. Education Requirements: You will need a two year degree to start off with, and some professional experience/training. Some jobs will require a masters degree, I guess it all depends on the company.
6. What classes would be helpful for success in this field? Not including the introduction classes, I would say the following classes would be helpful. IMM 110 Multimedia Graphics and Design and IMM 200 UX Design.
7. Job Outlook: The [U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics](https://www.bls.gov/) indicates that there will be a 3% year-on-year growth (through 2028) in demand for industrial UX designers.

CNN Money predicts that the growth in demand for UX designers will be 18% in the ten years starting from 2015

“Best Jobs in America.” *CNNMoney*, Cable News Network, money.cnn.com/pf/best-jobs/2015/list/index.html.

8. Overall Pros and Cons: It seems like there are more cons than pros from what I’ve been finding with the supplied websites and a few posts made by UX Designers. It seems like the most common pro is that it is a different workday every day. The most common con is that whoever is higher than you whether it’s the Lead or Head of UX, they have the right answer and for the most part will criticize your work. Most people said you should prepare to think that whatever you made that day was wrong.
9. Advancement Opportunities: It seems like there are a lot of advancement opportunities in the UX field. A few for example, after the basic UX designer are, Senior UX Designer, Lead UX Designer, and Head of UX.
10. Why this job may fit you? Personally, I do not really know if this job would fit me. I do not really like being criticized for something that I am putting effort in to. Maybe that was just a coincidence with having multiple people say that stuff like that does happen though. I think I would like to maybe do an internship or some sort if I have enough free time.