# Allison Yan

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## SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

- Area of study focused on human factors with emphasis on user experience and user centred design
- Quick thinking and creative evaluation of situations to generate multiple solutions
- Thrives in fast-paced environments with exceptional organizational and time management skills
- Excellent oral and written communication to ensure understanding for appropriate audience

#### ► TECHNICAL SKILLS

Computer Skills

- Proficiency in Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint)
- Advanced user of Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, WordPress, HTML and CSS
- Intermediate experience with Axure RP

**Programming Languages** 

Experience with Java, Python, PHP

**Development Processes** 

Agile development, ISO 13485 Medical Devices Quality Management

training, PMBOK training

Languages

Fluent English; conversational spoken French, Cantonese; basic Danish

#### **▶** EDUCATION

#### Master of Health Informatics

2013 – 2015 (expected)

University of Toronto | Toronto, Canada

- Fostered aptitude in the development, evaluation, and refinement of health information and communication technology systems to support the work of clinicians and decision makers
- Studied the evaluation of health information systems to assess impact and performance
- Selected courses: Systems Analysis and Process Innovation (INF1341H), Complexity of Care (MHI1002H), Human Factors and Change Management (MHI2004H), Evaluation Methods for Health Informatics (MHI2009H)

### Bachelor of Science; Major Psychology, Minor Computer Science

2007 - 2012

McGill University | Montreal, Canada

- Completed senior Thesis: "Usability of Nutritional Labelling"; Supervisor: Professor Thomas Shultz
- Selected courses: International Health Psychology (PSYC533), Health Psychology (PSYC429), Artificial Intelligence (COMP424)
- Granted Mobility Award for Study Abroad at the University of Copenhagen

## **Study Abroad Experience**

2010

University of Copenhagen | Copenhagen, Denmark

- Adapted to and embraced novel environments and cultures
- Enhanced communication and organizational skills
- Gained organizational perspectives through Scandinavian professional culture
- Selected courses: Work and Organizational Psychology, Social Psychological Theory, Danish

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#### **▶ WORK EXPERIENCE**

#### **Human Factors Research**

May 2014 - Dec 2014

Practicum, Healthcare Human Factors, Centre for Global eHealth Innovation

- Analyzed detailed user requirements and business process models on projects including: home dialysis
  applications, pharmaceutical procurement services, clinical care guidelines applications
- Analyzed and documented gaps within clients' existing services and workflows via human factors analyses, literature reviews and heuristic analyses
- Shadowed and interviewed nurses and administrators in order to understand workflow and streamline work processes in the hospital MSICU
- Translated research results into usable business decisions by priority
- Effectively communicated heuristic analyses and test results to clients in presentations
- Successfully worked with team to meet multiple project milestone deadlines
- Transcribed live participant discussion during testing using MS Excel spreadsheet macros
- Designed clean and attractive reports on findings for clients using Adobe InDesign

# **Human Factors Designer**

May 2014 – Sept 2014

Bye Bye Meltdown, Hacking Health for Kids @ Sick Kids 2014

- Won Pivot Design Group Award for Best Design at hackathon event
  - o Press: GCI Group, Pivot Design Group
- Conducted literature reviews and market searches on currently existing apps for child temper tantrum management to inform concepts for initial version of Bye Bye Meltdown app
- Focused on user experience by discussing temper tantrums, mobile device use with children and parents
- Created prototype designs and well-received "beaker" logo in Adobe Photoshop based on feedback from children and team members during weekend
- Collaborated with Pivot Design Group to develop personas, more interactive features and themes
- Developed website using WordPress (<u>www.byebyemeltdown.com</u>)

## Graphic and Web Designer

2013 - 2014

# University of Toronto International Health Program (UTIHP)

- Acted as the official graphic and web designer for multiple internal committees of UTIHP
- Designed graphics, posters and programmes for annual EarthTones health charity concert
- Developed EarthTones registration/information website using WordPress (<u>www.uoftearthtones.com</u>)
- Created graphics and collaborated on promotional video for Health and Human Rights Conference
- Initiated an official graphics request form in order for internal committees to clearly indicate their design requirements so that deadlines could be agreed upon and met

### **Technical Research Assistant**

2012 - 2013

Neuroethics Unit | Institut de recherches cliniques de Montreal

- First author of published article on newborn screening for prenatal alcohol exposure in *Canadian Journal of Neurological Sciences*
- Coordinated and engaged in successful Canadian workshop for multidisciplinary experts on ethics of transition for individuals with neurodevelopmental disorders

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- Proofread and prepared articles for submission to scientific journals
- Prepared Excel spreadsheets for data collection and organization of neuroethics research articles

### **▶** PUBLICATIONS

Yan, A., Bell, E., & Racine, E. (2014). Ethical and Social Challenges in Newborn Screening for Prenatal Alcohol Exposure. Canadian Journal of Neurological Sciences/Journal Canadian des Sciences Neurologiques, 41(01), 115-118.

Racine, E., Bell, E., *Yan, A.*, Andrew, G., Bell, L. E., Clarke, M., ... & Yager, J. Y. (2014). Ethics challenges of transition from paediatric to adult health care services for young adults with neurodevelopmental disabilities. *Paediatrics & child health*, 19(2), 65.

## ► ADDITIONAL INTERESTS

Travel, live music, public health, Scandinavian design