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EDUCATION

University Of California, Davis

Davis, CA

B.A. Design, Minor Psychology

Sep 2020 - Jun 2024

EXPERIENCE

BRIDGEGOOD

Oakland, CA

Jun 2025 - Present

UX Design Apprentice

• Selected for competitive apprenticeship to develop expertise in industry-standard design processes through hands-on training and real-world project experience

- Built professional network through direct collaboration with design mentors from Google, Adobe, and Amazon
- Maintained social media presence and engaged with interested designers across LinkedIn and Instagram to support program outreach

TAP SeriesExecutive Assistant
Westlake Village, CA
Oct 2024 - Jun 2025

- Streamlined cross-departmental workflows by conducting content research and coordinating solutions between teams
- Managed production workflows by identifying bottlenecks, creating action plans, and coordinating tasks across marketing and development teams
- Designed and optimized visual assets using Canva and AI tools, ensuring consistency across training materials and adherence to brand standards
- Conducted UI audits and implemented updates in Figma to enhance platform usability and learner experience

Purposed Partners

Remote

 UI/UX Web Design Intern

Sep 2024 - Nov 2024

- Collaborated with a client from Black Diamond Group, a financial consulting agency, to design and develop a new webpage using WordPress, ensuring alignment with their design standards
- Took initiative to work independently and adapt to evolving requirements, ensuring the website aligned with the client's vision and design standards
- Managed all design aspects, from layout to content structure, successfully executing the client's vision while navigating project setbacks and limited communication

PROJECTS

Spots: Associate UI/UX Designer @ Design Interactive

https://deshamariep.github.io/portfolio/spots.html

Collaborated with a team of four product designers and a product manager to create a desktop application connecting university students with off-campus housing. Led the Synthesis & Ideation and Mid-Fi Prototyping & User Testing sprints to iterate and improve the design. Presented the project to industry professionals, earning an award for 'Most User-Centric UI.'

G Street: User Experience Researcher @ City of Davis, City Council

https://deshamariep.github.io/portfolio/gStreet.html

Coordinated with three design peers to advance a project focused on community engagement in Downtown Davis. Conducted in-person interviews with eight residents to gather user insights and evaluated a mini-golf prototype, identifying the need for a community-centric initiative. Presented strategic recommendations to city officials, aiming to attract non-drinkers and families to G-Street, supported by thorough research and analysis.

SKILLS

Design: Product Development, Human-Centered Design, Digital Media, Visual Communication

Front-End Dev: HTML, CSS, JavaScript

Research: Literature Reviews, Focus Groups, Affinity Mapping, User Testing

Tools: Adobe Creative Suite, Figma, Github, Canva, Visual Studio Code, Wix, Zoho, Slack Production: Project Coordination, Task Management, Process Documentation (SOPs), Content QA