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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

**Human-Computer Interaction (HCI), User Experience (UX) Research, Qualitative Research, Computer-Supported Cooperative Work (CSCW), Technology for Underrepresented Populations.**

## EDUCATION

- 2019–2024 (expected) **Ph.D.** Student in **Information Science**, Drexel University, Philadelphia, PA  
Advisor: Dr. Jina Huh-Yoo | GPA: 3.96/4.00
- 2017–2019 **M. S.** in **Human-Computer Interaction (HCI)**, University of Maryland, College Park, MD  
Advisor: Dr. Eun Kyoung Choe | GPA: 4.00/4.00
- 2011–2015 **B.Des.** in **Design**, Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati, India | CPI: 7.73/10.00

## EMPLOYMENT

- 06/2022–09/2022 **Amazon, Seattle, WA**  
*User Experience (UX) Research Intern*  
Conducted a Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion qualitative evaluation study using contextual inquiry.  
Collaborated cross-functionally with Research, Design, DEI, Legal, and PR Teams.
- 10/2019–Present **Drexel University, Philadelphia, PA**  
*Graduate Research Assistant* | Mentor: Dr. Jina Huh-Yoo  
Use qualitative user-centered research methods such as interviews, usability testing, diary study to design emerging technologies for informal caregivers.
- 10/2017–05/2019 **University of Maryland, College Park, MD**  
*Graduate Research Assistant* | Mentor: Dr. Elizabeth Bonsignore  
Conducted bi-weekly participatory design research method sessions with children participants aged 8-12 years as part of Kidsteam.
- 05/2016–09/2016 **Spoonshot (dishq), Bangalore, India**  
*User Experience Designer*  
Led user research of a mobile-based application for matching restaurants to users' food likings.
- 07/2015–04/2016 **Abzooba India Infotech Pvt. Ltd., Kolkata, India**  
*User Experience Designer*  
Designed visualizations for indicating the company's key performance metrics.

## SKILLS

- Research** Interview, participatory design, diary study, contextual inquiry, usability testing, thematic analysis, qualitative research, mixed-methods research, user research, descriptive statistics.
- Design** User-centered design, rapid prototyping, empathy mapping, user journey, wireframing.
- Code** HTML, CSS, JavaScript, jQuery, Python, SQL.
- Software** NVivo, Miro, Figma, SPSS Statistical Analysis, Adobe Creative Suite, Balsamiq, Invision, Tableau.

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Full Paper** **Smriti, D.,** Kao, T.S., Rathod, R., Shin, J.S., Peng, W., Williams, J., Muijb, M., Colosimo, M., Huh-Yoo, J. (2022).  
**Motivational Interviewing Conversational Agent for Parents as Proxies for their Children in Healthy Eating: Development and User Testing.**  
Journal of Medical Internet Research Human Factors (**JMIR Human Factors**).