## **ADA NG**

First year PhD student currently focusing on the role of patient-generated data in patient-provider collaboration

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#### **EDUCATION**

### Northwestern University, Evanston, IL

2016current

PhD Technology and Social Behavior

Joint program in Computer Science and Communication Studies People, Information, and Technology Changing Health (PITCH) Lab, directed by Madhu C. Reddy, PhD, FACMI

#### Cornell University, Ithaca, NY

2007-2012

BS Design and Environmental Analysis

Interdisciplinary program in design and human-environmental

relations

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

healthcare information technology (HIT), human-computer interaction (HCI), user-centered design, computer-supported cooperative work (CSCW), qualitative research methods, user experience (UX)

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### Uptake

2016

#### **User Experience Researcher**

- Plan, schedule, and conduct research
- Research methods include: end-user in-depth interviews, rapid iterative prototyping, usability testing, contextual inquiries, observations
- Synthesize research to create personas, workflows, journey maps, and ecosystem diagrams
- Share research findings with fellow researchers, designers, developers, product managers, and stakeholders
- Collaborate with cross-disciplinary teams to create solutions that are informed by user research
- Support Rail, Internet of Things (IoT), and other customerfacing product teams to create mobile and desktop solutions
- Communicate with cross-functional teams, advocating for UX best practices and evangelizing user centered design

2015-2016

# GfK Custom Research, LLC User Experience Lead Specialist

- Planned and executed research as team lead for clients in a variety of sectors both locally and internationally using a variety of research methods
- Responded to request for proposals

# GfK Custom Research, LLC User Experience Specialist

2013-2015

- Planned and executed research for clients in a variety of sectors both locally and internationally
- Research methods include: formative and validation human factors studies, rapid iterative testing, tests for comprehension of graphics and content, in-lab usability tests of commercial web and mobile applications, in-depth interviews with users, contextual inquiry
- Other responsibilities: client management, project management (recruit, site management), writing HFE reports for FDA submission, creating low and high fidelity prototypes, and synthesizing design recommendations

## Envirosell Field Researcher

2012-2013

Traveled to clients' retail sites to conduct observations and interviews in order to discover consumer behaviors and provide recommendations on service design and strategy

#### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### Northwestern University Teaching Assistant

Spring 2017

Designing Health User Experiences (HEALTH\_COMM 445)
[Prof. Anne Marie Piper]
Graduate course to introduce Master of Health Communication students to a user-centered design thinking process and its

# Northwestern University Teaching Assistant

application to healthcare technology

Winter 2017

Human-Computer Interaction (HEALTH\_COMM 455) [Prof. Madhu Reddy]

Graduate course to introduce Master of Health Communication students to the field of HCI and its application to HIT and the process of design, implementation, and evaluation of HIT

**COURSEWORK** 

Independent study (COMM\_ST 499)

[Prof. Stephen Schueller]

Conduct research on the use of Fitbit data during intensive outpatient therapy for veterans with PTSD

Machine Learning (EECS 349)

[Prof. Doug Downey]

Introduction to the concepts and methods in machine learning

Qualitative Methods for Understanding Technology Use and Design (MTS 525)

[Prof. Anne Marie Piper]

Seminar course on qualitative research methods

Theories and Practices of Human-Computer Interaction

(MTS 525)

[Prof. Darren Gergle]

Seminar course on foundational literature in the field of HCI

Wireless and Mobile Health (mHealth) (EECS 495)

[Prof. Nabil Alshurafa]

Introduction to the field of mHealth through design and evaluation of an mHealth system

Independent study (COMM\_ST 499)

[Prof. Madhu Reddy]

Literature review writing on systems designed for patientprovider collaboration using patient-generated health data in collaboration with Alice Zhang

Introduction to Graduate Research in Media, Technology, and Society (MTS 501)

[Prof. Aaron Shaw]

A graduate foundation course on academic matters in Media, Technology and Society space

Personal Health Systems (EECS 495)

[Prof. Nicos Maglaveras]

An introduction to Information and Communication Technology (ICT) components (including wearable technologies, medical devices) of the Personal Health Systems (PHS) and the engineering approaches for integrating and testing the ICT components driven by user needs

Spring 2017

Spring 2017

Spring 2017

Winter 2017

Winter 2017

Fall 2016 + Winter 2017

Fall 2016

Fall 2016

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