KENDALL NAKAI 🌸

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EXPERIENCE

JULY 2022 – PRESENT, INTERN 2021 AND 2020
Microsoft, Software Engineer
- Developed rating features for online meeting surveys enabling more productive meetings in Teams used by 500,000+ weekly
- Interviewed 13 users, 2 executive representatives, and analyzed 40 focus group findings to determine what insights were of highest priority to streamline onto a single page dossier used by 40,000+

JUNE 2020 – JUNE 2022
Design Lab, Research Assistant
- Created a 50-page guide to design viewed by 2700+, conducting interviews with 32 students, incorporating feedback from 12 faculty, 112 survey responses, and 450+ comments then synthesized findings to create a scalable methodology, advised by Professor Philip Guo
Conference publication: doi.org/10.1145/3568813.3600113
- Designed interactive whiteboard templates interfaces for 120+ design students and 30 San Diego residents at SD Design Week to solve COVID-19 civic issues then analyzed 100 artifacts to uncover novel uses, advised by Professor Stephen MacNeil and Professor Steven Dow

NOVEMBER 2019 – NOVEMBER 2020
ACM UC San Diego, Product Designer
- Spearheaded experience journeys of member inclusiveness at 40 events and feature creation of gamify-ing event check-in for 1100+
- Created an in-house design system of Figma components, web design standards like modals and user input fields, and graphic standards

EDUCATION

CLASS OF 2022
University of California San Diego
B.S. Cognitive Science: Human-Computer Interaction
Minors: Computer Science, Design
- Design coursework: Designing Human-Data Interactions, Front-End Development, Interaction Design Research, Info Vis, HCI Studio, Human-Centered Programming, HCI Research, Prototyping, Product Design
- Leadership: Product Design Teaching Assistant, iD Tech Design Instructor, ACM Co-Founder, IEEE Professional Development
- **15 Hackathons:** Competed in as a designer (award-winner at Citrus Hack, IEEE Projects, HooHacks, HackSC, HackTech, LA Hacks)

SKILLS

Figma, Zeplin, Adobe Creative Suite, Wireframing, Prototyping, User Research, A/B Testing, Usability Testing, Product Design, Interaction Design, Design Systems, HTML, CSS, TypeScript, React