# Khalil A. Somani

### **OBJECTIVE**

To obtain a user experience job in design or research, where I can use my problem solving abilities and creativity to both meet and exceed the needs of the user.

### **EDUCATION**

Double Degree in Human Centered Design and Engineering (B.S.) and Psychology (B.S.)

University of Washington College of Engineering, Seattle, Class of 2017

- Current GPA: 3.56
- **Relevant Coursework:** User Design and Research, Systems Design and Engineering, Graphic Design, Technical Communication and Writing, Java Programming Fundamentals, Human Centric Foundations, Social and Behavioral Psychology, Research Methods

### **EMPLOYMENT**

UI/UX Intern, Datstat June 2016 - Present

- Using Adobe Illustrator and Balsamiq to wireframe interfaces and interactions for incoming software platforms, patient portals, and client-facing applications
- Working to advance user experience and enhance application of use (via interactions, onboarding, etc.)

### **Technical Specialist Intern, Datstat**

**December 2015 - June 2016** 

- Creating and designing survey interfaces for healthcare clinics and research institutions/universities
- Utilizing skills in HTML/CSS and Javascript to generate custom solutions for clients

### Ability and Innovation Lab: Paid Research Assistant

**September 2015 - June 2016** 

- Designing approaches to analyze Long-Term EMG data utilizing Delsys and OpenBCI systems to gather data to improve daily muscle activity in people with neurological disorders such as hemiplegic cerebral palsy
- Creating methods for EMG Data Visualization for patients and heath care institutions

# **PROJECTS**

# Link Light Rail Design Project

**April 2016** 

- Created a live feed of user input through a large on-site console as well as a mobile application platform to provide efficiency and clarity of travel with greater reliability and usage of time

### **UW Study Space, User Research Project**

March 2016

- Conducted user research in order to understand how students use campus study spaces
- Derived from 3 deep-hanging out field observations in Odegaard Library, Alder Commons, and Savery Hall, as well as semi-structured interviews with 3 users and a survey of 34 users

### **Brand Identity Redesign Project**

November 2015

- Rebranding website and mobile landing pages, as well as brand guidelines for the Washington Trails Association

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

### Dorsey Clinical Psychology Lab: Research Assistant

December 2015 - June 2016

Assessing Orphaned Children and Caregivers on evidence-based treatment for villagers in Kenya and Tanzania

# Cortical and Cognitive Dynamics Lab: Research Assistant

February 2013 - December 2015

- Research Projects: Conducted research for BBB Language Experiment and UCLIMB Learning Study
- *Duties:* Human Centered Design Research Head for Neurofeedback EEG Study; SFeature implementation, running EEG and computerized experimental tasks, creating lab specific Raven's Progressive Matrices post-test tasks, training research assistants, and presenting research

### **TECHNOLOGY SKILLS**

Web Design: Adobe Illustrator, Balsamiq, HTML, CSS, Javascript, DatStat Illume, Microsoft Office Suite