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EDUCATION

University of California, Irvine

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B.S. Informatics

Specialization in Human Computer Interaction

COURSE PROJECTS

Portfolio: kenzomakitani.me | User Interaction Software

Fall 2017

- Created an online portfolio from scratch using HTML, CSS, Javascript, and J-Query
- Conducted user research by doing user interviews and a competitor analysis
- Conducted user testing like cognitive walkthroughs, user tests and stories to find and fix problems

Skype Assessment and Redesign | Projects in HCI

Spring 2017

- Performed user research by completing a competitive analysis and conducting surveys and interviews
- Designed an improved interface and performed a heuristics evaluation on the design

EXPERIENCE

UX/UI Designer | IdentifiBio, Irvine CA

October 2017 - April 2018

- Design the user interface for app functionalities such as scheduling, document upload, and signing in Figma
- Conduct user testing on prototypes created in InVision and Origami Studio, and redesign the interface based on results
- Work closely and follow Agile development principles with team members to meet class deadlines

UX/UI Design Intern | Benefit One, Tokyo Japan

July 2017 - August 2017

- Proposed a redesign for the company's mobile website which addressed problems with usability and learnability
- Theorized and practiced an iterative development process which was effective
- Learned and experienced Japanese business culture by attending sales meetings and business lectures

Web Services Intern | Stanford University, Stanford CA

June 2017 - September 2017

- Assist developers with various tasks such as programming quality assurance test cases, conduct user testing on Balsamiq prototypes, code and design email templates, and integrate developer tools such as Code Climate
- Participate in stakeholder meetings, attend UXers Community of Practice meetings, communicate with developers and managers during daily SCRUM

Envoy & Ad Designer | EnvoyNow, Irvine CA

January 2016 - June 2016

- Designed ads using Adobe InDesign and Photoshop to promote the company

ACTIVITIES

Treasurer Intern | Tomo No Kai Japanese American Club, UCI

January 2016 - June 2016

- Cooperated with three co-interns and 13 cabinet members to organize and run fundraiser events, manage four intern-led meetings, and volunteer for events such as our school-wide Basketball tournament

SKILLS

Programming Languages: Python, Java, HTML, CSS, Javascript, SQL, Behat

Design/Prototyping Software: Balsamiq, Figma, Atomic, InVision, Origami Studios

Other Software: JIRA, Trello, Adobe Creative Suite, MS Office, Google Drive, Code Climate, Slack, Backtrack.io,

Sublime, Confluence