Esha Kothari

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EXPERIENCE AND PROJECTS

Provost at UT Austin

AUG 2019 - DEC 2019

- Designed a user friendly app to make it easier for students at UT Austin in registering courses
- Designed AI based recommendations for related courses if the desired course is unavailable

Indeed.com

IAN 2019 - MAY 2019

- Developed research plan and performed usability tests, eye-tracking studies, surveys and user interviews to identify factors influencing trust in users of Indeed.com
- Analyzed data and presented actionable insights to Indeed's UX team to improve customer engagement and retention

Steve.AI (Best project award)

JAN 2019 - MAY 2019

- Conducted user research to understand pain points of people who plan to switch careers without going through a formal degree
- Designed an app which uses AI to parse information of relevant courses from the web and matches it with the user's interest.
- Received a sponsored entry by UT Austin into the Fast Company Design and Innovation Awards 2020.

Texas Dept. of Transportation

SEP 2018 - DEC 2018

- Developed a research plan and conducted generative research for the media center at TxDOT to increase brand awareness
- Generated seven actionable insights through competitive analysis, quantitative and qualitative user research

ACADEMIC RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant, UT Austin

JULY 2016 - SEPT 2017

- Worked with Prof. Danna Gurari on web accessibility for visually impaired users
- Designed a web interface to assist visually impaired users in online clothes shopping.
- Published in International ACM SIGACCESS Conference (top venue for this work) link

EDUCATION

School of Information, University of Texas at Austin - GPA (3.97/4.0) | MS in Information Studies | AUG 2017 - DEC 2019

Institute of Management Technology, India | PG Diploma in Business Administration (with distinction) | JULY 2016 - MAY 2017

SKILLS

Design & Research	Platforms
Wireframing	Sketch
Prototyping	Figma
Usability Testing	Invision
Affinity Diagramming	Adobe Creative
Heuristic Evaluation	Userzoom
Competitive Analysis	UserTesting
Surveying	Amazon
Interviewing	Mechanical Turk
Journey maps	Qualtrics
Storyboarding	
User persona	Programming
A/B testing	HTML, CSS