

NINA SAKHNINI

UI / UX ENGINEER

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WORK EXPERIENCE

UI / UX ENGINEER

Caterpillar, Inc
Co-op program
2021 - 2024

- Designed interactions and UI components for cutting-edge engineering software
- Used user-centered methodologies to elicit interface (re)design requirements
- Conducted UX research

TEACHING ASSISTANT

University of Illinois at
Chicago
Multiple Semesters
2020 - 2021

- CS 141 Programming Design II (freshman) and CS 362 Computer Design (junior)
- Scored over 4.5/5 on average in the UIC TA evaluations of 100+ students
- Selected excerpts from my students' feedback: "made labs easy and fun!", "cared about us understanding the material", and "never made me feel that I was lacking"

COURSE INSTRUCTOR

University of Illinois at
Chicago
Summer 2021

- CS 362 Computer Design: Taught junior students computer concepts and design and gave them hands-on experience with microcontrollers
- Scored over 4.6/5 on average in the official UIC course evaluations of ~20 students
- Selected excerpts from my students' feedback: "good at explaining", "always willing to help", and "my favorite teacher by far"

EDUCATION

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

University of Illinois at
Chicago
2019 - 2027

- Major GPA: 3.75 / 4.00
- Research: Identifying issues that older adults face with technology and designing cutting-edge technologies for older adults.
- Advisor: Debaleena Chattopadhyay

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

University of Illinois at Chicago
2016 - 2019

- GPA: 3.57 / 4.00
- Master's Thesis: Towards Self-Tracking Personal Pollution Exposure using Wearables.
- Advisor: Debaleena Chattopadhyay

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN COMPUTER ENGINEERING

Jordan University of Science
and Technology
2011 - 2016

- GPA: 80.5%
- Senior Project: HCI Application for disabled people.
- Advisor: Muhannad Quwaider

SKILLS

PROGRAMMING

- C, C++
- Python, Jupyter, Pandas
- JavaScript, D3.js, THREE.js, Node.js, Express.js
- C#
- Java, Android Development
- R, Matlab
- SQL, Databases

TOOLS AND TECHNIQUES

- User-Centered Design and Techniques
- Data Analysis and Visualization
- Qualitative and Quantitative User Research Methods
- Software Engineering
- 3D Modeling and Game development
- Microcontrollers, Hardware and Fabrication
- Teaching