

Unified UI Specification Standard

Grounded in:

- ISO 9241-110:2020 (interaction principles)
- ISO 9241-210:2019 (human-centred design)
- WCAG 2.2 AA + Apple HIG + Material Design accessibility baselines
- W3C DTCG Design Tokens as the exchange format
- IFML (OMG) for optional flow diagrams

This standard provides structure for screen and flow specifications. It maps directly to the JSON schema provided. Schema metadata uses JSON Schema examples arrays (for instance "examples": ["v1.0"]) so it remains valid under Draft 2020-12 strict mode.

1. Standard Structure

Each screen design must include:

1. Artifact Card

- ID: UUISS-<Area>-<Screen>-<nnn>
- Version: Semantic (vMAJOR.MINOR.PATCH)
- o Owners: @product, @design, @dev
- Status: Draft → Ready → Approved → Implemented
- Links: Figma, Jira, PRD, Personas, Roadmap release, REQ/TC IDs
- Platforms: iOS ≥16 / Android ≥13 / Web ≥Chrome 120

2. Purpose & Principles

- Goal: User and business value
- KPIs: Quantified, machine-verifiable (e.g. SelectionTime p90 ≤2000ms)
- Journey Context: Where the screen fits
- HCD Alignment: ISO 9241-110 principles

3. Composition & Hierarchy

- Regions: IDs, required/optional, components, focus order
- Design System references only (no ad-hoc widgets)

4. Design Tokens

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- Defined in W3C DTCG format
- Inline or external reference

5. States & Variants

- States: default, hover, pressed, disabled, error, loading, success
- Variants: light/dark themes

6. Behavior Rules

Conditions for enabling/disabling components

7. Interactions

Event → Condition → UI Action → Navigation → Analytics

8. Accessibility

- Touch targets: iOS ≥44pt / Android ≥48dp / Web ≥24px
- Contrast: min 4.5:1 (AA)
- Focus indicators mandatory
- Gesture and keyboard alternatives required

9. Internationalization (i18n)

- ICU keys required
- RTL support mandatory
- Tone guidelines documented

10. Analytics Plan

- Event naming object_action
- Minimal properties, no PII unless flagged

11. Edge Cases

Empty, timeout, retries, offline

12. Acceptance Criteria (BDD)

Gherkin scenarios with traceability to REQ and TC

13. Data Contracts

API endpoints, schema refs, retry policy, cache strategy

14. Traceability

Mapping to Personas, PRD, REQ, TC, KPIs

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2. Example Screen Spec

UUISS-Mode-001 — "Mode Selection Screen" — v1.0.0

Owners: @product @design @dev • Status: Approved Figma: Figma Link • Jira: APP-45 Links: PRD-001, REQ-101/102, TC-201/202 • Personas: Commuter, Casual User Release: R1-2025-Q1 Platforms: iOS ≥16 / Android ≥13 / Web ≥Chrome 120

Goal & Context

Enable users to quickly choose **Travel Mode** or **Explore Mode** immediately after onboarding. **KPI**: Mode Selection Time p90 ≤2000ms • Error Rate ≤1%.

Composition

- **Header:** Title text (screen_title)
- Body: Mode cards (travel_mode , explore_mode)
- Footer: Primary button (continue_button)

Focus Order: Header → Mode Cards → Continue Button Design System Components: Card, Button, Typography/Title

Design Tokens

```
{
  "color/primary": {"$value":"#0066FF", "$type":"color", "$description":"Primary brand
  "space/md": {"$value":"16px", "$type":"space"},
  "radius/lg": {"$value":"12px", "$type":"radius"}
}
```

States & Variants

- States: default, hover, focus, pressed, disabled, error
- Variants: light, dark

Behavior Rules

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• Continue Button: Enabled only when a mode is selected

Interactions

- mode_selected → highlight card → analytics: mode_selected
- continue_pressed (if mode selected) → route /home → analytics: continue_pressed

Accessibility

- Touch Targets: iOS ≥44pt / Android ≥48dp / Web ≥24px
- **Contrast:** ≥4.5:1 (AA)
- ARIA Roles: button, navigation
- Alternatives: gesture, keyboard, voice commands

Internationalization

- ICU Keys: screen_title , travel_mode_label , explore_mode_label , continue_button_label
- RTL Support: true
- Tone: Supportive, clear
- Formatting: Locale-driven date/time/currency

Analytics

- mode_selected{mode} owner: @product PII: none
- continue_pressed{mode} owner: @analytics PII: none

Edge Cases

- No selection + Continue pressed: Button remains disabled (silent ignore)
- **Network timeout on Continue:** Retry dialog, exponential backoff (retry)

Acceptance (BDD)

Scenario: Successful mode selection

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Given User is on Mode Selection Screen When User taps Travel Mode Then Travel card is highlighted and Continue button is enabled

Data Contracts

- POST /api/user/mode
- Request: ModeSelectionRequest JSON schema
- Timeout: 5000ms Retry: exponential_backoff Cache: none

Traceability

- Personas: Commuter, Casual User
- PRD: PRD-001
- REQ: REQ-101 (mode selection), REQ-102 (button enable rule)
- TC: TC-201, TC-202
- KPI: KPI-001 (SelectionTime ≤2000ms), KPI-002 (Error rate ≤1%)

3. Markdown Template (Reusable)

Use the original template as the canonical starting point for authoring human-readable screen specifications that mirror the JSON schema: knowledge/unified-ui-specs-human-md-template.md

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