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EDUCATION

University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

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Bachelor of Arts in Graphic Design, User Experience in Design

Minneapolis, MN

WORK EXPERIENCE

Persius Creative

February 2023 - May 2023

Design Associate Intern - Los Angeles

- Supported design team in various stages of projects, including conceptualization, design development, and production.
- Conducted research and gathered inspiration to inform design concepts and approaches.
- Assisted in preparing and delivering presentations to clients, effectively communicating design ideas and concepts.
- Participated in team meetings and design critiques, providing constructive feedback and contributing to the iterative design process.

paaq

November 2019 – July 2020

Market Research Intern - Los Angeles

- Collaborated with the founding team for paaq, a contemporary brand highlighting the stories of South Asia
 - Increased collaboration efforts by 30% to ensure a comprehensive understanding of the brand's vision and objectives.
- Conducted in-depth analysis of market trends and consumer demand by researching competitor brands and gathering insights from social media platforms
 - Insights from social media platforms resulted in a 15% increase in consumer demand and sales in the next release
- Leveraged past release metrics to identify strategic opportunities for future product releases and expanding the target audience
- Developed and executed marketing strategies focused on establishing strategic partnerships with key influencers
 - Established partnerships with 5 key influencers, resulting in a 40% increase in brand visibility
- Engaged with multiple South Asian social media influencers to curate engaging posts that resonated with both of our audiences

PROJECTS

Usability Test Session

Led and conducted comprehensive usability testing sessions for a web application.

- Analyzed and synthesized qualitative and quantitative data collected during usability testing, producing actionable insights and recommendations.
- Streamlined the usability testing process by introducing automated tools and efficient documentation methods, reducing testing time by 20% and enhancing team productivity.
- Presented usability testing findings and recommendations which showcased the entire testing process.

HealthU

- Created a service to address mental health and well-being priorities for higher education students, as a university course project.
- Conducted user research through surveys and interviews.
- Created journey maps and wireframes that were based on user research and findings.
- Developed app prototype incorporating user feedback from usability studies.

Toxicity - A Study

- Collaborated with a partner to improve the player experience in *Valorant* by addressing toxicity issues.
- Developed a survey to identify pain points user issues.
- Conducted interviews to gain deeper insights into user experiences.
- Utilized findings to develop potential solutions and mockups

Hoop Radar

- Hoop Radar, an NBA-centric app concept, as a university course project
- Conducted user surveys to identify the target consumer base.
- Developed personas and performed competitive analysis to understand the product space
- Iteratively refined prototypes based on usability study results.

SKILLS

Microsoft Office Photoshop, Lightroom, Illustrator, InDesign, Figma and AdobeXD HTML and CSS AstroJS