# Pooja Konde

# PRODUCT / UI UX DESIGNER

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# PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

# Graduate Research Assistant | San Jose State University, California

Sept 2023 - Present

• Working towards a comprehensive Systematic Review of human-machine interaction in occupational settings, from concept to delivery, conducting rigorous usability testing and user interviews to gather evidence-based insights for refining product development strategies.

# Product Experience Designer | Muse Wearables, Bangalore, India

un 2021 - Aug 2022

- Spearheaded the successful launch of four Wearables Technology products, produced and validated product design specifications and production requirements independently, resulting in a 20% increase in user satisfaction and a 30% decrease in ergonomic complaints.
- Orchestrated the holistic development of mobile and web based applications, seamlessly integrating hardware and software experiences through UX, interaction, visual, and industrial design, presented design solutions to stakeholders, which culminated to substantial sales growth.
- Empowered the design team's growth by evaluating and hiring top talent, strengthening their skills and capabilities, contributing to a 15% increase in project delivery on time and within budget.

#### Product Designer | Compossible Umwelton, Mumbai, India | Contract

Dec 2020 - Feb 2021 & Jun 2022 - Aug 2022

- Spearheaded the development of a product with concepts of haptic feedback, collaborating with researchers, engineers, business consultants, and other designers, enabling individuals with disabilities and music enthusiasts to experience sound through unique vibration patterns.
- Through a user-centric design approach, I collaborated with the team to explore innovative concepts, conduct design critiques, and develop
  prototypes which enhanced user satisfaction by 20%, reduced ergonomic-related complaints by 30%, and improved accessibility for individuals
  with disabilities.

# Product Design Intern | Elephant Design Studio, Pune, India

May 2019 - Aug 2019

 Led user research, personas development, product ideation, and user studies from concept to implementation for the <u>Symphony Duet Air</u> Cooler, introducing India's first cylindrical, portable, 360-degree cooling fan, resulting in a successful global launch in 2021.

#### **KEY COMPETENCIES**

User-centered Design (UX)
User Interface & Visual Design (UI)
UX Research Methods
User-centric and Strategic Design
Usability Principles & Techniques

Wireframes & Prototypes Visual Storytelling Figma, Sketch, Invision Adobe XD & Creative Suite Market Research Presentation Design Cross-team Collaboration Information Architecture User-centric and Strategic Interactive Design Design Leadership
Design & System Thinking
Brainstorming & Ideation
Attention to details
Design Sprints

# **EDUCATION & CERTIFICATIONS**

# **MS Computer Interaction Design**

San Jose State University, CA | Aug 2023 - May 2025

# **Bachelor of Design, Industrial Design**

Srishti Institute of Art, Design and Technology, Bnagalore, India | *Jul 2016 - Aug 2020* 

# **Google Professional UX Design Course**

Coursera Certification | Aug 2022 - Dec 2022

### **Cognitive Psychology**

UC Berkeley Extension | May 2023 - Aug 2023

#### **Statistics for Behavioural Psychology**

San Jose Open University | May 2023 - Jun 2023

#### Sensation and Perception, Psychology

San Jose Open University | Aug 2023 - Dec 2023

# **NOTABLE PROJECTS**

# Simplifying Lives with Al-Powered Schedules and Adaptable

To-Do Lists. | Academic | Aug 2023 - Dec 2023 | UX Design

Redesigned the <u>Motion</u> mobile app through comprehensive UX research and usability testing, achieving remarkable improvements in registration (5x faster), onboarding (3x faster), payment processing (6x faster), and task scheduling with the help of artificial intelligence (2x faster).

#### Muse Hybrid Watch

Market launch July 2022 | Nov 2021 - Jun 2022 | Product Design

Lead the design of the <u>Muse hybrid</u> watch for young professionals, seamlessly merging timeless analog elegance with essential smartwatch features, along with it's packaging design experience leading to successful global market launch and an unprecedented 30% increase in product sales.

# **Design System for Muse OS**

Market launch July 2022 | Jun 2021 - Dec 2022 | UI Design

Developed a comprehensive unified UI design system to build brand and identity, encompassing Grids, Typography, Color, Layout, Iconography, Imagery, Patterns, and Systems, to streamline design processes, reduce errors by 40%, and boost overall efficiency.