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SENIOR PRODUCT DESIGNER | UX STRATEGIST | FINANCIAL SERVICES EXPERT

SUMMARY

Innovative Senior Product Designer with over 10 years of experience delivering exceptional user experiences for global brands, including extensive work in financial services. Proven track record in leading end-to-end design processes, conducting user research, and optimizing product functionality across complex, enterprise-level software. Skilled in collaborating with cross-functional teams to drive user-centric solutions that meet business objectives and enhance customer experiences.

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

- Increased user engagement by 25% and achieved a 15% increase in conversion rates at Walmart through redesigning the e-commerce platform and leading end-to-end design processes.
- Reduced user registration time by 50% and increased user satisfaction by 30% for American Express through user-centered design strategies and extensive user research.
- Developed and maintained a comprehensive design system at JP Morgan Chase, improving consistency across digital products and streamlining the design process for complex financial software.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Design Tools: Figma (expert), Adobe Creative Suite (XD, Photoshop, Illustrator), Sketch, InVision
- Prototyping: Marvel, Principle, Framer, ProtoPie
- UX Research: UserTesting, Hotjar, Optimal Workshop, Lookback
- Web Technologies: HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript (basic)
- Analytics: Google Analytics, Google Tag Manager
- Project Management: Jira, Trello, Asana (Agile methodologies), Monday.com

CORE COMPETENCIES

- End-to-End Design Process
- User Research & Synthesis
- Complex Software Design
- Customer Journey Mapping
- Rapid Prototyping & Iteration
- Design Systems Management
- Stakeholder Management
- Cross-Functional Collaboration
- Financial Services Expertise
- B2B Environment Experience

CERTIFICATIONS & TRAINING

- Certified Scrum Master (CSM) | Scrum Alliance | 2022
- Certified User Experience Professional (CUXP) | UX Certification Consortium | 2019
- UX Certification (5 levels) | Nielsen Norman Group | 2016

Bachelor of Science in Information Technology | University of Massachusetts, Lowell USA

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Senior Product Designer

Jan 2023 – Present

ITSM Corp Australia, Sydney

- Lead end-to-end design processes for enterprise SaaS products, from discovery to execution, ensuring seamless integration across platforms.
- Conduct comprehensive user research and usability testing, resulting in a 30% improvement in user satisfaction scores and 20% increase in user adoption rates.
- Design and prototype intuitive user interfaces for complex software solutions, utilizing Figma for rapid iteration and stakeholder validation.
- Facilitate design workshops with stakeholders to define and refine product requirements, aligning UX design with business objectives and technical constraints.
- Contribute to the enhancement of the design system, applying systems thinking principles to ensure consistency and efficiency.
- Collaborate closely with cross-functional teams to ensure seamless implementation of designs in an agile environment.

Independent Projects – Portfolio Showcase

Jul 2022 – Dec 2022

(while awaiting working rights in Aus)

Communicating discoveries from research and explaining the thinking behind design concepts.

- Redesigned popular digital platforms (LinkedIn, Disney Plus, The New York Times) with a focus on improving user engagement, streamlining onboarding processes, and enhancing content discoverability.
- Applied design thinking principles to create intuitive and engaging website prototypes for corporate clients, emphasizing improved information architecture and user experience.

Senior Product Designer

Apr 2019 – Jun 2022

JP Morgan Chase, Baltimore USA

- Led the transformation of the online banking dashboard, increasing user engagement by 20% and customer satisfaction by 15% in a complex B2B financial environment.
- Planned and conducted user research sessions, synthesizing insights to inform intuitive and effective design solutions for enterprise-level financial software.
- Developed and maintained a comprehensive design system in Figma, improving consistency across digital products and streamlining the design process.
- Managed stakeholders and presented design concepts to various teams, effectively communicating design decisions and trade-offs.

Lead Product Designer

Jan 2017 - Mar 2019

Walmart, Maryland USA

- Drove the redesign of the e-commerce platform, resulting in a 25% increase in user engagement and 15% boost in conversion rates.
- Mapped out front-to-back customer journeys and task flows, identifying opportunities for innovation and improvement.
- Introduced design thinking methodologies, reducing development time by 20% and improving overall user experience through rapid prototyping and iteration.

Product Designer & Researcher

Feb 2011 - Dec 2016

American Express, NY USA

 Conducted extensive user research to inform critical design decisions for mobile payment solutions, contributing to a 20% increase in customer retention in the financial services sector.

- Created visually appealing and intuitive interfaces for credit card applications, aligning with brand identity and enhancing user engagement in a B2B context.
- Implemented accessibility standards across all designs, ensuring inclusive user experiences for diverse customer bases.

Junior UI Designer | Cisco, Maryland USA

Feb 2008 – Dec 2010

- Assisted in designing user interfaces for networking products
- Collaborated with senior designers to improve user experiences across various platforms

UI/UX Designer Intern | Dell, Maryland USA

May 2005 – Dec 2007

- Supported the design team in creating user-friendly interfaces for computer systems
- Gained hands-on experience in user research and prototyping

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Volunteer Website Designer & Developer | Church Grounds
- Self-Help Content Creator | My Real Lover Academy
- Writer | Wiz Diaries, Power of Paradise