Afeeza Ali

Product (UX UI) Designer

Product Designer with a proven track record in fast-paced scale-ups, designing and delivering business-critical features for SaaS B2B and B2C environments. With a strong foundation in computer engineering and AI/ML research, I excel at bridging technology, business, and UX. Skilled in crafting user-centric solutions by applying Human-Centered Design (HCD) methodologies, prototyping, and leveraging design system guidelines within Agile environments. Experienced in collaborating with subject matter experts across global cross-functional teams.

Work Experience

Product Designer – Apromore

May 2024 - Present, Melbourne

- Collaborating closely with the **Head of Product Design**, Chief Product Officer and Engineering lead to re-design business critical features of a market leading process mining **SaaS**.
- Responsible for complete redesign of the performance dashboard, a flagship feature, from a **legacy experience to a sleek, modern design**.
- Led the design and maintenance of a scalable **design system** from **atoms to pages** ensuring a successful handover to the front-end development team.
- Creating and maintaining **Jira cards** to streamline collaboration and task management for both design and engineering teams.
- Responsible for designing the growth strategy of Apromore AI (integrated LLM).
- Proven success working in fast-paced Agile environments with **global teams across multiple time zones**, including designers, developers, and stakeholders.

UX/UI Designer – DSIGNS Australia

Oct 2022 - May 2024, Sydney

- Led stakeholder collaboration sessions to align the UX/UI Design strategy with business strategy and objectives, directly reporting to the CEO of the **Web Design Consultancy**.
- Redesigned and elevated the digital experience of small business websites and ecommerce to improve the **customer conversion rate**.
- Led market research through competitor analysis resulting in **targeted UX recommendations** to address business needs and creating USPs for clients.
- Collaborated with C suite executives from client side to gather requirements and set project objectives for the client's **B2C** product.
- Conducted **usability tests** on prototype apps, outlined **user personas**, mapped user journeys, and generated ideas through ideation with the team.
- Designed Minimum Viable Products (MVPs) and presented UX UI artifacts to the **Development** Team, ensuring a seamless handover of mock-ups.

Technical Researcher (AI ML) - Pattern Analysis & Machine Intelligence Lab Jun 2020 - Sep 2022, India

- Conducted **literature survey** for **50+ scientific papers** to study state-of-the-art technology and identified problem areas in existing technology.
- Conducted extensive hands-on research and execution using AI/ML tools.
- Developed **novel techniques** that outperform state-of-the-art results in the field of biometric security.
- Published and presented <u>3 papers</u> in international journals and conferences.

Teaching Assistant - Dept. Of Comp. Sci. Engineering, IIT Indore

Jan 2021 - Jun 2022, India

- Collaborated with **senior professors** to conduct lab and classroom sessions.
- Directed technical lectures and workshops mentoring 60+ engineering students for 3 advanced courses.

Achievements

- Secured All India Rank 1907 in common engineering entrance exam with 400K+ applicants.
- Elected as President of Computer Science Department Association (Grad) leading initiatives that fostered collaboration among students and faculty.
- Best Outgoing Student Award (Grad).

Portfolio

in <u>LinkedIn</u>

8 Publications

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Skills

Design System - Built and maintained scalable design system improving design-to-development efficiency and reducing inconsistencies
Human-Centered Design (HCD) - Implemented design thinking methodologies for business critical projects improving usability metrics and increased accessibility for diverse user groups.
Prototyping & User Testing - Created interactive prototypes to test with business stakeholders and diverse participant groups, uncovering actionable insights for product improvements.
Cross-Functional Collaboration - Experience working in fast paced Agile environments with designers, developers, and stakeholders to align design strategies with business goals.

Tools & Technology

Figma - Designed and delivered 100+ wireframes and high-fidelity interactive prototypes Jira - Created and managed Jira cards with detailed acceptance criteria, including interaction logics, and design specifications, to ensure alignment between design and development teams

HTML/CSS - Applied a solid conceptual understanding of front-end development to collaborate effectively with developers AI/ML - Leveraged a robust foundation in AI/ML, gained through hands-on research and development, to design innovative solutions.

Certifications

- UX/UI Transform, AcademyXi, Sydney
- Mizko's Figma Master Class, Designership
- Google's Professional UX Course, Coursera

Education

- Master of Computer Engineering Indian Institute of Technology Indore Jun 2020 - Sep 2022, India
- Bachelor of Computer Science Engineering -Srinivas Institute of Technology Jun 2015 - Jun 2019, India

Arts and Literature

- Oriental Dancer at Banjara School of Dance (Certified at Advance Level).
- Proficient in five languages including English as my first language.

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