# Prachee Javiya

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# Skills/Tools

UX Writing User Research **UX Prototyping Usability Studies** Visual Design User Interface Design HTML **Qualitative Analysis** Figma Product design Kotlin **Experimental Design Usability Testing** Illustrator **Design Systems** Wireframing Product Management Statistics

## Work Experience

#### Lead User Experience Researcher - Contract, Dominicanos USA, USA

• Led UX research at Dominicanos USA, increasing Dominican American engagement by 25% through esports in virtual reality (VR) initiatives.

07/24 - Present

- Conducted 30+ interviews, providing experiential insights about community connections across the U.S. Dominican demographic.
- Developed frameworks that boosted diaspora engagement by 20%, utilizing gaming as a tool for organizing and connecting the community.
- Collaborated with the president to implement strategies that resulted in increased in participation through culturally relevant gaming experiences.

#### User Experience Research Assistant, University of Maryland, Baltimore County, USA

• Prototyped a Learning Analytics Dashboard for a peer mentoring program with a team of 4.

01/23 - Present

- Organized a co-design workshop with 2 Mentors and 1 Mentee to gather data about user needs, behaviors, and attitudes.
- Facilitated interviews with 3 professors to understand their needs for a Learning Analytics Dashboard(LAD).
  Applied inductive coding and conceptual modeling to analyze 500 student survey responses, showcasing expertise in qualitative research.

## Grader for Fundamentals of Human-Centered Computing, University of Maryland, Baltimore County, USA

01/23 - 12/23

- Conducted Figma tutorials for a class of 30 students, offering hands-on guidance and supporting their learning process.
- Graded assignments and exams weekly, providing detailed feedback and mentoring students by addressing their queries.

#### Frontend Developer, Playpower Labs, India

01/22 - 06/22

- Conceptualized a bilingual online educational platform (HALT-AD) aimed benefiting 1,000+ older adults by reducing dementia risk.
- Demonstrated proficiency in AngularJS by maintaining efficient cross-team collaboration with 10 engineers to develop a responsive frontend for the platform.
- Performed manual testing using BrowserStack for cross-platform compatibility, ensuring seamless functionality across various devices and browsers.

## **Publications**

- Javiya P., Anthraper N., Iluru S., Kleinsmith A., Chen K., Co-designing a Learning Analytics Dashboard to Support Transfer Student Mentoring, CHI LBW 2024.
- Alpeshkumar Javiya, P., Kleinsmith, A., Karen Chen, L., Fritz, J. Parsing Post-Deployment Students' Feedback: Towards a Student-Centered Intelligent Monitoring System to Support Self-Regulated Learning. Proceedings of the 25th International Conference on Artificial Intelligence in Education, **AIED 2024**.
- Designing a Student-Centered Learning Analytics Dashboard: Enhancing Peer Mentorship and Goal Management in Computing Education. (Submitted to LAK 2025).

## **Featured Projects**

## Threads and Beads: Systems Design Project

- Managed the digital transformation of Threads & Beads, a clothing boutique, transitioning from paper-based customer data management to a digital solution, increasing the revenue by 34%, and reduce fabric wastage by 9%.
- Designed the system by leveraging Augmented Reality(AR) to calculate customer's body measurements virtually, thereby reducing customer churn by 5%.

#### UI Prototyping and Development of Haptic Gloves for Virtual Reality(VR)

- Utilized Figma and DraftXR for the prototyping of haptic gloves for **VR interface interaction**.
- Employed **empathy maps** and **hierarchical task analysis** as visualization techniques to create a user-centric VR interface with 30% increase in efficiency.
- Developed prototypes ranging from low to high fidelity, incorporating **peer feedback** for continuous refinement and improvement.

## Education

#### Master's in Human Centered Computing, University of Maryland - Baltimore County

Baltimore, MD, USA

07/22 - 05/24

Relevant Coursework - UI Development & Prototyping, Accessibility and Inclusive design, Affective Computing, HCI, Graphic Design for Interactive Systems CGPA - 3.9/4.0

#### Bachelor's in Information and Communication Technology with Minors in Physics, Ahmedabad University

*Ahmedabad, GUJ, IND* 07/18 - 05/22

Relevant Coursework - User Centered Design, Human Computer Interaction, Software Engineering, Database Management Systems CGPA - 3.2/4.0

## Volunteering

- Math tutor in Reach Together Tutoring Program at University of Maryland, Baltimore county.
- Arcade Virtual Reality Volunteer at the Games for Change 2024 Festival.
- Head of the Design team for Ahmedabad University's Tech Club's social media and website.
- University Basketball women's team captain at Ahmedabad University.