

# Sakshi Khilari

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## EDUCATION

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### M.S. Human Computer Interaction Design

Indiana University

CGPA: 4/4

Relevant Coursework: Interaction Design Methods, Foundations of HCI, HCI Studio Practice

Expected May 2026

Bloomington, IN

### B.Des. User Experience Design

Maharashtra Institute of Technology

CGPA: 3.82/4

Relevant Coursework: User-Centered Design, Design Research Project, Intro to Prototyping

Aug 2020 – May 2024

Pune, India

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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### UX Research Intern

YUJ Designs

- Conducted 40+ interviews single handedly, to gain insights about financial literacy among parents and kids.
- Synthesized User Research and Secondary Research including Competitor Analysis, Case Studies and Ecosystem Study.
- Crafted 25+ Concept Models, developed final concepts and made prototypes for the final iterations.

Jan 2024 – May 2024

Pune, India

### Design Coordinator

IEEE India Council & Women in Engineering

- Led a team of 15 and created 30+ posters and marketing materials to establish a digital presence on social media.
- Increased 2k+ followers by creating brand awareness through various online campaigns.

Jan 2022 – Oct 2022

Remote, India

## UNIVERSITY PROJECTS

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### Kroger x Instacart Resolution Flow

- Enhanced the user experience of the resolution process for Kroger shoppers on the Instacart app.
- Worked with sponsors to introduce a new backend system that focuses on the exchange process.

Nov 2024

### The Psychological Effects of Pop Culture on Identity

- Developed an extensive research project that examined the rise in conformity and its ties to negative self-image.
- Facilitated 30+ screeners, unstructured interviews, expert interviews and presented a research paper with findings.

Mar 2023

## ACTIVITIES

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### Co-founder

Small Business on Instagram

- Designed and brought 100+ Customized Merchandise Pieces to life.
- Generated a following of 2.9k and sold 400+ orders.
- Coordinated 6 Pop-Up stalls for the business and gained first-hand experience in Customer Interaction and Management.

Aug 2021 – Jun 2023

Remote, India

### Classical Dancer

Bharatanatyam

- Trained in Indian Classical Dance for 12 years.

2005 – 2017

Pune, India

## ADDITIONAL

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**Technical Skills:** Figma, Adobe XD, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Illustrator, Miro, HTML CSS, User-Centered Design, Usability Testing, User Interviews, Low and High Fidelity Prototyping, Information Architecture, Microsoft Office

**Languages:** Fluent in English, Hindi; Vernacular Proficiency in Marathi