# Hasnain Bakhtiar

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### **EDUCATION**

# Master of Science, User Experience Design

Arizona State University: Ira A. Fulton Schools of Engineering

Expected Dec 2026

# **Bachelor of Arts, Public Policy & Management**

York University: Liberal Arts & Professional Studies, Toronto, Canada

Apr 2012

# **Certificate in UX Design**

York University: School of Continuing Studies, Toronto, Canada

Apr 2020

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

# **Product Designer, Della Connect**

Jan 2023 – Feb 2025 | Toronto, Canada

- Collaborated cross-functionally with product managers, engineers, and stakeholders to design and deliver user-centered SaaS experiences across mobile, web, and touchscreen platforms.
- Conducted user research and usability testing to inform data-driven design improvements and enhance accessibility and adoption.
- Developed a unified design system that strengthened visual consistency and streamlined communication between design and development teams.
- Synthesized qualitative insights and product metrics to influence design direction and communicate outcomes to cross-disciplinary partners.
- Partnered with research and data teams to evaluate design hypotheses through usability metrics and A/B tests.

# **UX/UI** Designer, Citywide Automation

Mar 2021 - May 2023 | Toronto, Canada

- Designed SaaS interfaces for building automation systems, improving user workflows and operational efficiency through iterative testing and data-informed refinements.
- Partnered with engineers and product managers in an Agile framework to align design goals with business and technical requirements.
- Created prototypes and interaction models for usability testing, integrating user research insights into product design practices.
- Facilitated design reviews and presentations, ensuring clear communication of design rationale to non-design stakeholders.

### **UX/UI** Designer, Pachira Social Enterprise

Jan 2020 - Mar 2021 | Calgary, Canada

- Redesigned the user portal to improve usability and align with a new brand identity using contextual inquiry and survey feedback.
- Conducted user interviews, surveys, and heuristic evaluations to uncover insights that shaped design decisions and enhanced user engagement.
- Collaborated with developers to translate research insights into functional design improvements, ensuring a user-centric, iterative workflow.

### **PUBLICATIONS**

- **Designing for multiple devices in 2020** <u>UX Collective</u>, Jun 2020 Discusses responsive design strategies and maintaining consistency across devices.
- The role of color in UX design <u>Bootcamp</u>, Apr 2021 Examines how color theory and accessibility influence perception and usability.
- Is there a secret formula for making UX decisions? <u>Bootcamp</u>, Sep 2020 Explores how designers balance intuition, research, and data-driven insights.
- What the Future Holds for UX Design Geek Culture, Jul 2021
  Highlights trends shaping the future of user experience and product design.

### **SKILLS**

**Design Tools:** Figma, Adobe Creative Cloud, Sketch, InVision, Zeplin

Development Knowledge: HTML, CSS, Wordpress, Elementor

**UX Processes:** Prototyping, Design Systems, Wireframing, User Research, Contextual

Inquiry, Survey Design, Usability Testing

Collaboration: Cross-functional teamwork, Agile (Scrum), Design reviews, Stakeholder

communication, Product alignment meetings