



AKASH NIKAM - Sr. UI/UX Designer

Senior UI/UX Designer with 6+ years of experience designing intuitive digital experiences across multiple industries, specializing in user research, design systems, and high-fidelity interfaces.

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Academic Qualifications

- ❖ B.E. Computer Engineering/Pune

Score (76.93%)

2018
- ❖ HSC / Maharashtra Board

Score (60.92%)

2014

Software/Tools/Development

- ❖ Figma and FigJam
- ❖ Miro
- ❖ Adobe XD
- ❖ Adobe Photoshop
- ❖ Canva
- ❖ Jira and Basecamp
- ❖ Claude AI and Cursor AI
- ❖ Adobe Creative Suite
- ❖ HTML/CSS, Bootstrap

Design and Research

- ❖ User Experience Design
- ❖ User Centered Design
- ❖ Wireframing and Prototyping
- ❖ Agile Thinking
- ❖ User Personas and Surveys
- ❖ Card Sorting and Storyboarding
- ❖ Information Architecture (IA)
- ❖ Color Theory and Typography
- ❖ Design System and Style Guides
- ❖ Affinity Diagrams
- ❖ Empathy Maps
- ❖ Interaction Design
- ❖ Usability Research

Personal Skills

- ❖ Creative thinker
- ❖ Critical Thinking
- ❖ Self-motivated
- ❖ Deadline lead
- ❖ Problem solving
- ❖ Communication Skills
- ❖ Leadership & Mentoring

Certifications

- ❖ Google UX Design Professional
- ❖ Atlassian Agile Project Management

Honors & Awards

- ❖ Best Employee of the Designer / VARStreet

❖ Academic Ranker / Second Year and Third Year (2nd)

❖ Eureka Hackathon / Grand Finale Rank

❖ Wheebox Employment / India wide 73rd Rank

Professional Experience

- ❖ Independent UI/UX Designer

Self-Directed

Nov 2025 - Present

Completed the **Google UX Design Professional Certificate** (Coursera), strengthening expertise in user research, interaction design, prototyping, and usability testing.

Published UX/UI case studies and maintained a professional design portfolio showcasing **end-to-end design processes** and problem-solving approaches.

Explored **AI-assisted design** workflows and modern UX tools to accelerate ideation, rapid prototyping, and design iteration.

Continuously researched emerging UX trends, **accessibility standards (WCAG 2.1)**, and industry best practices to enhance design quality.
- ❖ Senior UI/UX Designer

Nova Techset Software / Pune

May 2022 - Nov 2025

Led end-to-end UI/UX design, wireframing, and interactive prototyping for responsive web applications, improving user experience and supporting business goals.

Mentored and trained junior designers on UX/UI best practices, led a small design team, and collaborated directly with clients to deliver user-centered design solutions.

Redesigned dashboards with improved information architecture and data visualization, enabling users to access and interpret key insights more efficiently.

Spearheaded the integration of accessibility features into all projects, ensuring compliance with **ADA standards** and expanding market reach.

Facilitated design workshops with clients and stakeholders to gather feedback and align on UX goals, holding decision-making authority over design direction within the team.

Collaborated closely with product managers, developers, and stakeholders to deliver intuitive, accessible, and scalable digital experiences that **improved user engagement**.
- ❖ UI/UX Designer

Redbytes Software / Pune

May 2021 - Mar 2022

Conducted user research, created wireframes and interactive prototypes, and designed intuitive web and mobile interfaces that aligned user needs with business objectives.

Developed user personas and scenarios to guide design decisions, improving the user interface for better navigation.

Conceptualized multiple design iterations for **5+ client-facing projects** in Adobe Creative Suite, boosting **customer acquisition 15%**.

Conducted accessibility audits aligned with **WCAG 2.1 guidelines** and designed dashboard UI and data visualization systems that supported client business growth.
- ❖ UI Designer

Vidushi Infotech SSP Pvt LTD / Pune

Dec 2020 - Apr 2021

Designed dashboard UI & data visualization components for a digital product, increasing client’s **business revenue by 28%**.

Contributed to the design of business websites and client-facing web designs, participating in daily scrum calls to align design requirements.

Developed responsive designs and **rapid prototypes** based on user research, delivering intuitive and user-centered digital experiences.

Crafted user experience strategies focusing on user empathy, Information Architecture & user testing plan for healthcare website.
- ❖ Graphic & UI Designer

VARStreet Inc / Pune

Feb 2019 - SEP 2020

Created user-centered E-commerce website designs on the proprietary VARStreet CMS platform, **transforming business requirements into intuitive interfaces** with seamless navigation, consistent branding, and enhanced user experiences.

Worked on graphics including brochures, storyboards, marketing landing pages, social media posts, ebook covers, and internal company product design.

Coordinated with cross-functional teams throughout the design lifecycle to deliver **high-quality user experiences** while maintaining project schedules and balancing priorities.

Participated in design reviews and incorporated client feedback to continuously refine interfaces and improve overall product quality.

Project Experience

- ❖ Appointo Healthcare Appointment - UI/UX Designer

Coordinated with doctors to gather requirements through interviews and built a structured design system in Figma.

Designed responsive interfaces for appointment scheduling, patient management, and healthcare dashboards to ensure a seamless user experience across devices.