# User Experience Design Specialist and Consultant

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### Professional profile

I am an interdisciplinary professional with more than 15 years of experience in the design of digital platforms. I have the knowledge and skills to execute and lead projects from the initial stages of analysis and research, to their publication and follow-up. I have worked on projects for leading companies in Costa Rica and the region and created digital ventures as part of my startup Pixlab.

These are the main soft-skills that make me stand out:

- Leadership and Mentoring O Organization and planning O Clear and effective communication
- O Critical thinking O Goal orientation Interdisciplinary collaboration O Decision making
- Adaptability and versatility **©** Empathy with users and stakeholders

# Knowledge and skills



# Research

I apply user-centered research methodologies to identify needs and optimize experiences, aligning them with business objectives and technical specifications.

- **Design Thinking**
- **User Personas**
- Stakeholders / User Interviews Surveys
- **User Journey / Empathy / Experience Maps**
- **Data / Statistics Analysis**



# Design

I develop high-quality visual design solutions based on research, standards and trends to ensure a flawless user experience aligned with strategic objectives.

- Heuristic Analysis / Evaluation
- (O) Information Architecture User Flows
- **O** User Interface Wireframes Prototypes Usability Testing
- O Design Systems / Libraries / Principles



### I lead teams and projects, aligning

objectives and optimizing processes to obtain effective results, maximize team potential and ensure product excellence.

- Lean UX Agile Methodologies
- **Coaching / Mentoring**
- **Workshops Learning Facilitation**
- **UX Roadmaps Strategy**
- **DesignOps**

### Work experience $\bigcirc$

leading companies in Costa Rica. In 2011, I joined the digital design department of one of the country's leading media companies, where I assumed leadership until 2019. In this position, I was responsible for the design of all of the company's digital platforms. Since 2020, I have worked as a UX/UI Specialist and Consultant on high-impact projects for nationally and internationally recognized companies. In addition, I have been a university professor at the most important design university in the region and, as a digital entrepreneur, I have created platforms that have reached thousands of people.

I started my professional career in 2008 as a web designer at a digital agency, where I had the opportunity to create websites for

Digital entrepreneur, creator of

as UACA, Universidad Latina and

**September 2015 - Present** 

Founder / CEO (Self-employed)

responsible for design and

platforms such as Quiziz and iSchool;

development projects for clients such

### Support **Online Games Platform**

Information Technology

#### Responsible for the Design System,

design and redesign of the company's digital products.

**UX/UI Specialist** (Full Time)

UtilizeCore

**Facility Management Software** 

Responsible for improving the user

experience of key functionalities of

the UtilizeCore SaaS platform.

March 2021 - October 2021

**UX/UI Consultant** (Freelance

**November 2021 - Present** 

# **LCI Véritas**

Coopeservidores.

# and Business

Design and Visual Communication, thesis and conceptualization jury for the UX/UI Specialization.

#### Buzz **Advertising Agency** Consultant in charge of leading

# website redesign projects for agency

clients such as Touristin, Lynk & Co and PROCOMER. October 2022 - October 2024

- **UX/UI Consultant** (Freelance Professional)

### **Leading University in Design, Technology**

← Pixlab

**Startup** 

# Professor of the Bachelor's degree in

**January 2015 - August 2020** 

- **University Professor** (Part-time)

#### **Corporate Media Conglomerate** Team leader in charge of the design

Grupo Nación

mobile applications and websites, development of interactive applications, editorial and commercial digital content, and visual identity for social networks. September 2011 - March 2019

Designer of corporate communication

campaigns, magazines and graphic

material for companies such as Dos

Pinos, Del Monte, Hortifruti, Walmart,

and management of all the company's

- **Digital Editor** (Full Time)
- CTI Comunicación

**Communication Agency** 

among others.

#### **Latin American University of Science and Technology**

← ULACIT

Professional)

#### Professor of digital design and development courses.

May 2015 - December 2015 **University Professor** (Part-time)

#### Designer in charge of the Teletica-Cabletica account and website design

**Digital Agency** 

← Novaq

and development projects for the company's clients such as ULACIT, FIFCO, Chamber of Commerce, among others. March 2009 - September 2011

**Digital Designer** (Full-time)

#### **January 2008 - March 2009 Graphic Designer** (Full-Time)

### Academic titles and recognitions $\Theta$

Advertising at Universidad Latina de Costa Rica. I have also taken complementary courses in leadership, project management and web development. I have a diploma in conversational English from the Instituto Tecnológico de Costa Rica. As part of my startup Pixlab, I have participated and been a finalist in entrepreneurship competitions. I have also been a speaker at various conferences on entrepreneurship, design, technology and innovation. 

In 2009 I graduated with a degree in Design and Visual Communication from LCI Universidad Véritas. In 2011 I began a degree in

**Bachelor's Degree in Advertising Design** 

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(Proficiency 85%)

**E**o Language Course

Finalist, Quizizz app

November 2016

Yo Emprendedor

- January 2005 December 2008 (Fo) University Career

← Tecnológico de Costa

**Diploma in Conversational English** 

**January 2001 - July 2003** 

**Entrepreneurship Competition** 

**Bachelor of Advertising** January 2011 - December 2014

(To be completed, 90%)

← Universidad Latina de

(=o) University Career

Costa Rica

- Semifinalist, iSchool platform
- November 2019

Winner, Quizizz app

**July 2016** 

- ← DeMentes by TD+ Finalist, Quizizz app
  - **Entrepreneurship Competition**

← Éxito by Open English

**Eq.** Entrepreneurship Seminar

**Management and Web Development** 

← Grupo Nación

January 2012 - December 2016 Corporate Courses

**Training in Leadership, Project** 

- ← Seedstars by PROCOMER ←
- September 2017 **Entrepreneurship Competition**

attest to the quality of my work. Here are some of them and the projects we worked on together:

Professional references and projects

Throughout my career, I've had the opportunity to collaborate with top-tier professionals and clients from leading companies who can



- Website redesign November 2023 - August 2024

**Interaction Agency** 

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**Erick Apuy** CEO, Interaction

CTO, Buzz



#### **Andrés Martín** CEO, Buzz +506.88931526

Organization website redesign projects

April - October 2024

- Coopeservidores
- **Design and development of Finantech** platform

**Maria Elena Chávez** 

**August 2021 - August 2022** 

- Project Director, Cámara de Industrias de Costa Rica +506.87027788



**UtilizeCore** 

project **March 2021 - October 2021** 

Universidad Autónoma de Centroamérica Design and development of leads capture

**April - December 2020** 

MAS QUE UN TITULO



platform

May - July 2024

**Oscar Brenes** 

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**July 2016 - August 2022 Yanancy Noguera** 

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Managing Director, Asociación Punto y





design project

Grupo Nación

Subscription platform user experience

Guillermo Naranjo Technical Lead, Intel Corporation +506.60435980

**January - December 2015** 



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