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## the exciting stuff

### Wikipedia Contributor

1700 edits, 135 articles created

Indian Student Association, 4 cities,  
4 cities, 2 countries, Founder

### TIME Person of the Year

2006 Shared with 7 billion others

### TEDx Speaker

2016, India

### Founder

Ukhadlo and ClassFever, aged 14, 16

## what I do well

Qualitative, Quantitative User Research

Insight Synthesis

Participatory Design

Choice Architecture

Cognitive Psychology

User Journey/Flow Mapping

Wireframing & Visual UI Design

Digital Prototyping (HiFi, Motion)

Usability Testing

Pitching & Storytelling

Compliance and Business consulting

Physical Computing

Card Tricks & Puns

Lawn Tennis & Table Tennis

## what I do it with

Harvard Business Cases, JStor,  
PollFish, Python, C, Flask, AWS, Rapid  
Prototyping, SolidWorks, Unity, Unreal  
Engine, VR/AR, Vive, Oculus, C#,  
MadMapper, InVision, Framer, XD,  
Axure, Figma, Origami, Adobe CC,  
AfterEffects, Front-end development  
(HTML, CSS etc)

## where I learnt it by doing it

Interaction Design (B.S. - Dec 2019)

ArtCenter College of Design, CA

## stuff I am proud of

### WAYMO wants an Autonomous what?

Sponsored project, Sep - Dec '19

Ongoing collaboration with WAYMO to unify the WAYMO driver across various form factors from sidewalk delivery machines to off-road mining equipment (!)

### Ernst Young

Design & Business Consulting Intern, India, Jun - Aug '19

Supported Design and Consultancy teams to research, execute and test design solutions for global clients while working with Sales team to expand clientele

### DiDi to the Rescue

Sponsored project, Sep - Dec '18

Collaborated with DiDi Chuxing team to design the future of autonomous ridesharing in 2030. Project later showcased at 10th China Car Design Awards by DiDi

### Helping MIT understand the Ocean

Sponsored project, Jan - April '18

Invented multi-dimensional visualization tools and frameworks to help study ocean eddies in collaboration with MIT. Grant from the National Academies. Case study presented at the IXDA Education Summit. Work being carried forward by JPL

### Empowering Young Parents

Sponsored project, Jan - April '19

Empowered parents aged 16-21 to overcome early parenthood challenges through participatory design in collaboration with Sentient Research

### Studio Shoonya

Principal

Pro-Bono Design and Business consulting and services for eligible India-origin and India-focused ventures. 4X revenue for an Indian traditional natural products company

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some more stuff I am proud of

### **The Wellbeing of the City of Santa Monica**

Social Impact & Design Fellow, May - Aug '18

Crafted citizen-government collaborative brainstorming activities. Synthesized themes and project ideas are being used to target anomalous Wellbeing indicators in Pico, Santa Monica

### **Reinventing MOCA, Los Angeles**

Sponsored project, Sep - Dec '17

Synthesized a 400 respondent survey and key insights to guide a 26 member team to craft architectural interventions for the 1mn+ annual visitors of MOCA

### **US Census Bureau Open Innovation Conference '17**

Student delegate, June 2017

Blueprinted strategies with LA County & US Census Bureau officials to reach historically uncouneted people for the 2020 US National Census

### **Grading the education of a Country**

Founder, 2015, India

Launched a platform to rank educational institutions based on a proprietary multi-factor mathematical model (250mn+ calculations) and built a revenue-positive business around it at age 16

### **Ukhadlo**

Founder, 2013, India

Launched an online networking platform for VCs, Entrepreneurs, Ideators, Accelerators etc at age 14. Gained significant user traction and national media recognition.

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