



# OMAR MIZDAQ\*

## UX/UI Designer

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### TOOLS

Illustrator  
Photoshop  
Sketch  
InVision App  
Axure  
Proto.io  
POP  
HTML  
CSS

### SKILLS

Domain research  
Competitive analysis  
User interviews & testing  
Affinity mapping  
Personas  
Journey maps  
Use cases & scenarios  
Wireframes  
Prototypes  
Visual design

### OTHER

Illustration  
Writing & proofreading  
Classical drawing

### LANGUAGES

English  
Dari (B2)  
French (B1)  
Danish (A1)

### EXPERIENCE

**UX/UI Designer, DESIGNATION, Chicago** // Nov 2015 - Apr 2016

Designed mobile and web apps following design thinking and agile workflows, conducted user research and testing, created flows, wireframes, and lo-fi and hi-fi prototypes.

- Yolobe** - Professional networking for teens
- Full visual design of responsive mobile app
  - Delivered hi-fi mockups and style tiles

- Quiddity** - Physician-facing healthcare platform
- Full UX process: research, testing, synthesis, etc.
  - Delivered mid-fi wireframes & prototype

**ESL Teacher and Curriculum Designer, St Giles International, San Francisco & London** // Nov 2014 - Nov 2015

Designed curricula, prepared and taught lessons to adults of 60+ nationalities including executive clients. Created and taught an oversubscribed course, English for Art and Design.

**Translatable skills:** empathy; explaining complex grammar in simple, intuitive ways; guiding students through a process and designing that experience.

**Classical Artist (drawing), Florence Academy, Italy & Golden Gate Atelier, Oakland** // Aug 2013 - Nov 2014

Followed the renaissance method of art apprenticeship first in Italy then in California under maestro Andrew Ameral. Spent 7+ hrs/day drawing the human figure with evening workshops covering anatomy and the below subjects.

**Translatable skills:** balance and proportion; color theory; design; composition, sketching; learning how the human eye handles visual data, incredible attention to detail.

**ESL Teacher and Curriculum Designer, Cambridge Institute, Copenhagen, Denmark** // Aug 2011 - Aug 2013

Designed curricula, prepared and taught lessons to general and executive clients across greater Copenhagen.

**Media Advisor Intern, Embassy of Afghanistan, Washington, DC** // Jul - Aug 2007

Created database of experts still used in embassies worldwide and wrote two speeches for HE Ambassador Jawad.

### EDUCATION

**University of Oxford**, MSt Global & Imperial History // 2010

**University of London**, BA (Hons) History // 2009

**Translatable skills:** Several years in academic history, particularly in grad school, taught me to handle vast amounts of data and fashion logical, well-designed, and elegant arguments within very limited timeframes.

### AWARDS

- BA History classification: *first-class honors*
- Outstanding Student Award (sophomore year); selected to mentor fellow students
- Member of Mens Basketball Welsh Championship Team (freshman year)

### MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

UXPA DC User Experience Professionals Association (DC Metro)

\* For the purposes of obtaining references, please note that the official spelling of my family name is actually *Misdaq*.