

# JUNAID S.A.A.

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**DESIGN PROFESSIONAL** Organisations associated with: Q-GLUE, Adobe, Oracle, ABB, IBM, Intel, etc.

Total Industry Experience: 15+ Years

- ▶ A 'Designing Your Life' Certified Coach (for 1-on-1 coaching) and a Certified Facilitator (for workshops) – certified by the 'Designing Your Life' institute (founded by **Bill Burnett and Dave Evans of Stanford University**) – to use the principles of **Design Thinking** for enabling individuals to **design their lives**.
- ▶ Result-focused **Design Professional** with **15 years + of industry experience** in **Design** working in organizations like Adobe, Oracle, ABB, IBM, Satyam, Intel (among others).
- ▶ **Demonstrated thought leadership**, taught and spoke several Design and Creativity topics across prestigious institutes and conferences including **IIM Indore, IIT Bombay, Srishti-Manipal Institute, INTERACT, India HCI, etc.**
- ▶ Range of topics spoken on and taught – **Designing Your Life, Design Thinking, The Science Behind UX Design, Quantifying Creativity for Modern Workplaces, Structuring Creativity, Choice Architecture in Interaction Design.**
- ▶ **Author** of the books '**Creating Your Life in 101 Steps**' (self-help) and '**And We Remained**' (Fiction).

**Core Skills & Expertise:** Life Design, Design Thinking, UX Design; Proposing, Planning and Running Design projects; Conversational Design, Teaching Design; Usability Analysis and Testing; User Research; Requirements Gathering; Prototyping

## [Portfolio](https://www.asadlijunaid.com/)

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## Professional Experience

### Principal Consultant – 'Designing your Life' Practice → Q-GLUE Innovation Pvt Ltd. | Apr 2022 - Current

- ▶ A 'Designing Your Life (DYL)' Certified Coach and a Certified Facilitator
- ▶ Making a direct impact on the lives of people through DYL by enabling them to design their lives through one-on-one coaching and workshops.
- ▶ Regularly conduct Design Thinking workshops

#### Highlights

- ✓ Clients serviced include – Aditya Birla Group, TCS, Tata Communications, RMSI, Tavant Technologies, Dell, Newgen, Electronica Finance, Brookfield (among others).

### User Experience Designer → Adobe Inc., Bangalore | July 2018 to March 2022

- ▶ Helped design Adobe Captivate – Adobe's content authoring tool. Working in a hands-on role producing organized and thoughtful designs that reflect the complexity of the content authoring tool.
- ▶ Designed the UI and workflows based on Adobe's Design System - Spectrum.
- ▶ Co-ordinated with development efforts and deadlines to deliver usable and delightful design solutions.

#### Highlights

- ✓ Applied creative problem solving and strategic thinking to complex design problems.
- ✓ Translated end user needs and stakeholder vision to designs demonstrating within and between page flow and functionality

### Sr. User Experience Designer → Oracle India Pvt. Ltd., Bangalore | June 2013 to July 2018

- ▶ Worked on Oracle's Public Sector Cloud (PSC) and E-Business Suite (EBS) of Application Technology products.
- ▶ Associated as the primary (and only) UX resource on Oracle's EBS which has 250+ products with thousands of customers.
  - ↳ Evaluated and provided design recommendations to improve the flow and look & feel of EBS applications.
- ▶ Designed Retail Analytics products with Data Science driving the backend for the Science team of Oracle's Retail division.
- ▶ Provided expertise and collaborated with internal teams to train team members and clients on UI/UX best practices and procedures to deliver the highest quality UI/UX to all digital assignments.
- ▶ Anticipated and worked on internal business unit and client needs, through thought leadership, issue resolution, and solution innovation approach.

#### Highlights

- ✓ Delivered detailed prototypes demonstrating flow and functionality for applications – Advanced Clustering, Price Modelling and Optimization, Attribute Extraction tool and Space Optimization.
- ✓ Leveraged sketches, sitemaps, user-flow diagrams, mental models, user research, website analytics, and other means to create and improve the interactive experience to ensure that the user is always the fulcrum of every engagement.

## Past Experience

User Experience Lead → Endeavour Tech., Bangalore | December 2012 to May 2013

Usability & HCI Researcher, R&D Project Manager → ABB Corporate Research Ltd., Bangalore | January 2011 to November 2012

User Experience Lead → IBM Global Services, Bangalore, India | July 2009 to December 2010

User Experience Designer → Idea Integration, Houston, TX | April 2008 to May 2009

Sr. Interaction Analyst → Satyam Computer Services Ltd., Parsippany, NJ & Hyderabad, India | December 2006 to April 2008

Human Factors Engineer → Intel Corporation, Bangalore, India | March 2006 to November 2006

Human Factors Specialist → Human Factors International, Bangalore, India | July 2005 to March 2006

## Education

**Master of Science Degree in Psychology**, Major: Human Factors & Industrial/Organizational Psychology (2005)

Advisor: Dr John M. Flach Wright State University, Dayton, OH CGPA: 3.57/4.0

**Master of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering**, Major: VLSI/ ASIC Design (2003)

Wright State University, Dayton, OH CGPA: 3.32/4.0

**Bachelor's Degree in Electrical and Electronics Engineering (2000)**

UVCE, Bangalore University, Bangalore, India

### Courses and Certifications:

- ✓ 'Designing Your Life' Certified Coach
- ✓ 'Designing Your Life (DYL)' and 'Designing Your Work Life (DYWL)' Certified Facilitator