



Julia Malyk

Web and UX/UI Designer

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Profile

My name is Julia and I am a UX designer. My strongest belief is that a good design can change the world for the better.

Various gadgets and technologies always fascinated me, so nobody was surprised when after high school I decided to get a degree in information technologies. While studying I became familiar with the fields that require analytical thinking and knowledge of other disciplines, such as mathematics, physics and programming. There was a lot of theory to deal with, as well as calculations and programming languages that made me learn how to learn and do things quickly. Although I was very interested in how the application, or an operating system, or a website works, I understood it clearly that there are many brilliant professionals who don't care about the technologies at all. They don't want to waste their time figuring out how something works, they just want a piece of technology that can possibly simplify their life.

That's when I switched to the user experience design field. Workshops, books and articles on design related topics, people from the industry — all of that helped me fill in the gaps in my education. Then I got an amazing chance to get into the User-System Interaction program in Eindhoven University of Technology. That's a perfect place for me to apply and enhance my design and technical skills. Multidisciplinary and multicultural environment broadens my horizon, stimulates to find creative solutions and dramatically improves social skills.

As for me, it is important for a product or a service to be visually appealing and pleasant to use, to simplify and increase the quality of people's lives and to be useful and usable. My goal is to design and deliver such services and products with attention to quality, details and human needs.

Work experience

feb 2014 — sep 2014

UX designer

Appar — Tilburg, The Netherlands

- UX/UI design (web/mobile)
- User research and analysis

oct 2012 — jan 2014

User-System Interaction Designer

Technical University of Eindhoven — Eindhoven, The Netherlands

- UX/UI design (web/mobile), user research, task analysis
- Working in team on multiple projects for internal and external clients

feb 2012 — sep 2012

Usability Specialist

UsabilityLab — St. Petersburg, Russia

- UI design
- Usability review
- User research and analysis
- Project management

apr 2011 — oct 2011

Front-End Developer

Automobile.ru — St. Petersburg, Russia

- Valid and semantic HTML and CSS
- JS (jQuery) for interactions
- Some user interaction improvements

jan 2010 — mar 2011

Front-End Developer

Alee Software — St. Petersburg, Russia

- Valid and semantic HTML and CSS
- Optimizing and bugfixing HTML and CSS
- UI design

jan 2010 — mar 2011

HTML/CSS Coder

Oberon Media — St. Petersburg, Russia

- Valid and semantic HTML and CSS, bug fixing
- Quality assurance

Education

oct 2012 — sep 2014

User-System Interaction

Technical University of Eindhoven

P D E N G (Professional Doctorate in Engineering)

sep 2005 — jan 2011

Information Technologies in Education

St. Petersburg State University of Information Technologies, Mechanics and Optics

ENGINEER (Diploma with honors)

Main skills

- Web and mobile UI design
- User research
- Usability testing
- Usability analysis
- Prototyping and wireframing
- HTML/CSS/JQuery coding
- PHP and MySQL
- Visual design
- Typography
- Basics of Human Behavior
- Communication and team work

Languages

- Russian** native
- English** fluent
- German** intermediate
- Dutch** intermediate

Interests

- Foreign languages
- Typography & calligraphy
- Graphic design
- Fashion and style
- Sports

Extracurricular activities

jan 2013 — jan 2014

General board member

Alumni Association USINET

- Responsible for website design and maintenance
- Took part in organizing events (annual barbecue, UXCampNL)