# **Addison Collatz**

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**User Experience Designer** with a strong foundation in creating accessible, user-centered designs. Experienced in wireframing, prototyping, and content strategy, with a proven record of enhancing team efficiency through structured onboarding processes.

## **EDUCATION**

Michigan State University | December 2024 Bachelor of Arts in Experience Architecture Emphasis on User Experience Design Dean's List Recipient, 2023-2024

### **SKILLS**

**Technical:** HTML & CSS, Accessibility, Design Systems, Color Theory, Content Strategy, Usability Testing, UX Research, UI Design, Information Architecture, Wireframing, Prototyping. **Software & Tools:** Adobe Creative Cloud, Canva, Figma, Sketch, Procreate, Office 365, InVision, Miro, Wix, WordPress.

#### **EXPERIENCE**

Lead Student Technician, SLE DSS Tech Team I May 2022-Present

- Administered mentorship for 10+ student employees and developed onboarding processes for four new student hires, delivering hands-on training and guidance for current team members.
- **Designed and implemented** a structured onboarding knowledge base for new hires, organizing critical resources and **crafting step-by-step documentation to streamline the onboarding process** and **improve team efficiency by over 30%.**

Co-President & Founder, Students Demand Action at MSU I August 2021-Present

o **Demonstrated interpersonal and communication skills** to engage and mobilize peers to support responsible legislation, promoting a safer and more inclusive community. **Formulated strategic social media campaigns** to **enhance user engagement** in **legislative advocacy and diversity initiatives.** 

Visual & UX Design Lead, Safely Travel App I Spring 2024 Semester

- Led the design of an accessibility-focused travel app, to develop a comprehensive user interaction system and high-fidelity wireframes and prototypes, with design tools like Procreate and Figma.
- Applied user feedback and UX research methodologies to refine navigation, interactive elements, and visual design, enhancing usability and ensuring an intuitive, engaging experience for users.

**UX Specialist,** Transforming Stories Internship I June 2023-August 2023

Conducted individual user interviews to create wireframes and prototypes for a user-focused,
accessible website using Wix. Improved design documentation and facilitated regular client meetings
and communication to uphold accessibility standards.

UX Design Team Member, MSU Student Information System Redesign | Fall 2022 Semester

 Aided in the redesign of MSU's Student Information System to improve accessibility and usability challenges, by creating student-focused wireframes that streamlined class enrollment and engagement.

### **AFFILIATIONS**

Co-leader & Founder of SDA MSU, Member of MSU Women in STEM, Member of the MSU User Experience Club