

# Sacha Desjardins

After having completed a Front-end engineer certificate and UX Design professional diploma, I'm looking to transfer the skills I've learned as a teacher to a role in User Experience.

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## EXPERIENCE

### **Marty's International Kinder, Mizuho — Teacher**

May 2016 - PRESENT

- Oversee the classroom and guide students through daily lessons and activities.
- Creating a curriculum that best suits the class to make it easier for the students to learn.
- Support students with their interests inside and outside of school.
- Prepare for school events such as the Sports Festival, sleepover, Open School, Halloween Party, Stage Performance, and graduation.

### **The Ottawa General Hospital, Ottawa — Research Assistant**

May 2015 - August 2015

- Supporting the research of several doctors by doing chart reviews, compiling data and looking for trends.
- Cleaning up and organizing data files to facilitate analysis.
- Some of the work went on to be published in the [Infectious Diseases Society of America medical journal](#).

### **Physio Sport Plus, Ottawa — Physio Therapy Aid**

May 2013 - October 2013

- Provide assistance with the treatment of various patients and maintaining a clean work environment that allows the therapists to do their job effectively as well as promoting the recovery of patients.
- Socializing with patients during treatment to provide a comfortable and fun environment on their road to recovery.

## SKILLS

### **Adaptability**

I'm able to adapt to any working situation. Being a teacher requires me to constantly adapt to an evolving workplace.

### **Communication Skills**

Able to communicate about tasks, questions, and clarify ideas.

### **Curiosity**

Natural curiosity about how things work and the drive to take the time to understand.

### **Effective Time Management**

Can work on multiple tasks and complete them for their due date.

### **Honesty and Integrity**

Able to work without supervision and stay on task.

### **Leadership Skills**

Work well with others and can guide them to reach shared goals.

### **Listening Skills**

Able to listen to others and accurately receive and interpret what is being said.

## Ray Friel Centre, Ottawa — *Camp Counselor*

June 2010 - August 2011

- Leading Camp activities and creating a fun environment for the kids.
- Provide supervision for swimming in the public wave pool, ice rink, or weekly field trips.
- Training in CPR and WHMIS.

## EDUCATION

### University of Ottawa, Ottawa — *Honours Bachelor's of Social Science*

September 2012 - April 2016

- Major - Criminology
- Minor - Philosophy

### Front-End Engineer Career Path, Codecademy

March 2021 - July 2021

- Learned about front-end languages, technologies and the development process.
- Learned how to research problems and implement solutions.

### UX Design Institute, University of Glasgow, Ireland — *Professional Diploma in UX Design*

August 2021 - October 2021

- Studying at my own pace, I completed the 6 month Professional Diploma in just over 2 months. During this time, I attended webinars, lessons, and completed many projects before sitting and passing the final exam, earning my Professional Diploma in UX Design.
- I learned the UX process and many different skills and methods to collect and analyze data before designing solutions for a hotel booking application.

## PROJECTS

### J Cowan, TL Do, S Desjardins, K Ramotar, V Corrales-Medina, DW Cameron. Prevalence of hypogammaglobulinemia in adult invasive pneumococcal disease. 2018. CID. 66:564-569

During the summer of 2015, I worked as a research assistant at the Ottawa General Hospital. During my time there, my main focus was to assist in the collection, and compiling of patient information for Dr. Cowan. After going through hundreds of patient records and collecting the necessary data, I would analyze it and provide the results to be used in the paper.

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

HTML

CSS

Javascript

React

Figma

Competitive Benchmarking

Usability testing

Customer Journey maps

Flow Diagrams

Interaction Design

Prototyping

Wireframing

## HOBBIES

Building Computers

Reading

Sports

Studying

Fitness Training

Traveling

## **LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY**

**English - Fluent**

**French - Fluent**

**Japanese -Intermediate**

- I have a great interest in the Japanese language and am seeking to gain fluency.
- I took university level introductory courses which gave me a foundation that allowed me to increase my understanding on my own.
- Self-studied for several years using a variety of sources such as textbooks, applications, and online resources like Rosetta Stone.
- Currently using the Kumon correspondence method to further improve.

## **VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE**

**Southwestern Ontario Marketing Alliance**

I helped the consulate of Canada of Nagoya with their annual hosting of SOMA. I provided assistance by preparing the venue where the meeting was to be held. I helped sign in the guests and engaged with the Canadian ministers and Japanese nationals.

**Tokai Japan Canada Society**

Participate in regular meetings and assist in the planning and execution of events. I am currently a member of the Cultural Committee and planned a virtual Canada day because of COVID-19.