

## Education



Sep 2019 - Feb 2023

Master of Arts in **Visual Communication**  
TEHRAN UNIVERSITY OF ART, TEHRAN, IRAN

CGPA: 18.08/20 (4/4)

| M.A. Thesis: Visual Culture and Identity of Everyday Urban Spaces – A Case Study of Tehran Cafes  
| Thesis Grade: 18.5/20 | Supervisor: Dr. Maryam Kahvand



Sep 2014 - Feb 2019

Bachelor of Science in **Architecture**  
SHIRAZ UNIVERSITY, SHIRAZ, IRAN [QS Ranking]

CGPA: 16.51/20 (3.46/4)

| B.Sc. Thesis: Renovation and Development Design of Cinema Farhang; Gerash  
| Thesis Grade: 16.5/20 | Supervisor: Dr. Sanaz Haeri

## Honors and Awards

- 2022 • Graduated in the **1<sup>st</sup> rank** with **the highest GPA (4/4)** among M.A. Students of Visual Communication in Tehran University of Art.
- 2022 • **Finalist** in The U.S. Department of Energy **Solar Decathlon® 2022 Design Challenge** (Education Building Division), Associated with Shiraz University (Energytechure Team) 🏆
- 2019 - 2022 • **Tuition-Waiver Awarded** for 2 Years of **Graduate Studies** at Tehran University of Art by Iran Ministry of Science, Research and Technology.
- 2019 • **Ranked 16** among approximately 5,000 participants in the **Iranian University Entrance Exam for Master's Degree in Visual Arts and Design**, Iran.
- 2014 - 2019 • **Tuition-Waiver Awarded** for 4 Years of **Undergraduate Studies** at Shiraz University by Iran Ministry of Science, Research and Technology.
- 2014 • Ranked within the **Top 3.9%** among approximately 191,000 participants in the **Iranian University Entrance Exam**, Iran.

Master's Degree

Bachelor's Degree

## Related Courses

**Methods of Research on Art;**  
Qualitative Research, Quantitative Research, etc.

**Social Campaign Design;**  
Goals, Concept, Visual Moodboard, Design

**User Experience & User Interface Design;**  
Design Strategy, Task Profile, Competitive Analysis, Personas, User Scenarios, User Story, Task Analysis, Sitemap, User Journey Map, User Interface Analysis

**Design Principles;**  
Design Empathy, Divergent/Convergent Thinking, Design Brief, Design System

## Research Interests

**Visual Culture;**  
Cultural Studies, Art History, Critical Theory, Anthropology

**Media and Visual Communication;**  
Contemporary Media; Social Media, Digital Journalism and Video Games

**UX/UI Design;**  
Visual Design, User Research, High-fidelity Prototyping

**Extended Reality (XR);**  
Augmented Reality (AR), Mixed Reality (MR), Virtual Reality (VR)

## Work/Industry Experience



Sep 2020 - Apr 2022

Senior Graphic Designer and Visual Designer

Ofoq Publishers - Tehran, Iran

Social Media Visual Identity,  
Motion Graphic Design, Video Editing,  
User Interface Design



Jan 2019 - Mar 2020

Graphic Designer and Branding Consultant

Agah Dynamic Psychotherapy Clinic - Shiraz, Iran

Visual Corporate Identity Package, Social Media Branding,  
Workshop Posters, Stationery Design



Sep 2019 - Dec 2019

Motion Graphic Designer

Cheshmeh Publication | Radio Gousheh - Tehran, Iran

Motion Graphic Design  
Social Media Visual Identity

## Projects

- **'Alone Together' Social Campaign Design** | Tehran University of Art

Jan - Feb 2020 Tehran, Iran Academic Project

| Creator, Graphic Designer

- **KhonaKadim 4: The Spirit of Life** (Revival of Historical Houses in Gerash)

Gerash ICOMOS NGO Mar - Apr 2019 Gerash, Iran

| Graphic Designer, Installation Designer/Artist

- **KhonaKadim 3: A Step Closer to Gerash Museum of Anthropology** (Revival of

Historical Houses in Gerash) | Gerash ICOMOS NGO Mar - Apr 2017 Gerash, Iran

| Art Director and Graphic Designer

- **KhonaKadim 2: Time Traveling in the Old House 2.0** (Revival of Historical Houses

in Gerash) | Gerash ICOMOS NGO Mar 2016 Gerash, Iran

| Art Director and Graphic Designer

- **KhonaKadim 1: Life Flows again in Alipour's Old House** (Revival of Historical Houses

in Gerash) | Gerash ICOMOS NGO Mar - Apr 2015 Gerash, Iran

| Art Director and Graphic Designer

- **'HamrahCard' Application UX Design and Analysis** | Tehran University of Art

Apr - Jul 2020 Tehran, Iran Academic Project Teamwork

| Creator, Visual Designer

- **13th Kal Short Film Festival** | Gerash, Fars, Iran

Dec 2017 Gerash, Iran

| Head of Advertising Team and Graphic Designer

- **Adidas Footwear and Shana Honey Packaging Design** | Tehran University of Art

Jan - Feb 2020 Tehran, Iran Academic Project

| Creator, Graphic Designer

- **ATTAR Foundation's Summit 30; The Integrity of Urge, Hypophysis**

In collaboration with SUMS and Shiraz University Apr 25 - May 5, 2016 Shiraz, Iran

| Graphic Designer and Member of Media Team

## Publications

-  • **Sorkhi, S.**, 2018. Cinema and Architecture; Too Far, Too Close. 35mm Art Quarterly, Issue 5, Spring 2018.
-  • Marcus, A. 2006. Cross-Cultural User-Experience Design (Translate to Persian: **Sorkhi, S.**). International Conference on Theory and Application of Diagrams (Diagrammatic Representation and Inference), pp. 16-24.





















## Memberships & Activities





























- **Official Member**, Iranian Graphic Designers Society (IGDS), Member of International Council of Design (ico-D)  
 Oct 2022 - Present 
- **Board Member and Head of Cultural and Art Department**, Gerash ICOMOS (International Council on Monuments and Sites) NGO  Gerash, Iran  Feb 2017 - 2019
- **Active Membership**, Gerash ICOMOS (International Council on Monuments and Sites) NGO  
 Gerash, Iran  May 2014 - Present

## Volunteer and Community Services

- **Member of Founding Board**, Nardeban Educational Development NGO   
 Gerash, Iran  Sep 2017 - Present
- **Member of Media Team**, Student Cooperation Office (SCO)   
 Shiraz, Iran  Apr 2016 - Jan 2017
- **Manager of Graphic Design and Media Committee**, 5<sup>th</sup> Session of 'Zibazyaft' National Competition  
 Shiraz University, Iran  Spring 2017
- **Member of Shiraz University Film and Photo Forum** at the Faculty of Art and Architecture  
 Shiraz University, Iran  2015 - 2019
- **Member of 'Behmaan' Student Committee**   
 Shiraz, Iran  Summer 2018
- **Member of the Executive Team of Manufacturing and Installing Largest Paper Dinosaur (Origami) in Iran**   
 Shiraz, Iran  November 2018


## Workshops, Courses and Professional Development

-  • **Google UX Design Professional Certificate** by Instructors Group. Google   
 Coursera  May 2022
-  • **International Graphic Symposium in Shiraz; On the Identity in Graphic Design.** In the presence of **Niklaus Troxler**. Lucerne University of Applied Sciences and Arts and Iran Graphic Academy   
 Shiraz, Iran  April 2018
-  • **Methods and Statistics in Social Sciences Specialization (Basic Statistics)** by Instructors Group.   
University of Amsterdam  
 Coursera  May 2022
-  • **Programming for Everybody (Getting Started with Python, Data Structures)** Course by **Charles Severance**. University of Michigan   
 Coursera  May 2022
-  • **Introduction to Augmented Reality and ARCore** by Instructors Group. Google   
 Coursera  Aug 2022

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 • Create a no-code responsive website with Webflow by Angelo Paolillo. Coursera Project Network 
  
 Courseera  Aug 2022
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 • Typodiversity 01: Exploring the Arabic Script World. Department of Typography & Graphic Communication, University of Reading (UK) 
  
 Online  Nov 2023
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 • Seminar and Specialized Workshop on Persian Typeface Design Basics by Reza Bakhtiarifard. Shiraz University International Division (SUID)
   
 Shiraz, Iran  Jan - Feb 2019
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 • Design Ethnography Seminar. Zign Design Research Community
   
 Online  November 2021
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 • Shiraz ArtUp: Art and Market Entrepreneurship. Shiraz Art University, Entrepreneurship Center
   
 Shiraz, Iran  December 2018
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 • Stop-Motion Animation Workshop by Aghil Hosseinian. Art House of Shiraz (Khane Honar Shiraz)
   
 Shiraz, Iran  November 2018
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 • Fundamental User Experience Design Course by Instructors Group. Rahnema College 
  
 Online  May 2022
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 • Solar Decathlon Building Science Education Series Course by Solar Decathlon. US Department of Energy 
  
 HeatSpring  December 2021

## Skills and Abilities

### Tools & Technologies

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|  Adobe® CreativeCloud™ |        |
| Adobe <b>Photoshop</b>  | ●●●●●● |
| Adobe <b>Illustrator</b>  | ●●●●●○ |
| Adobe <b>InDesign</b>   | ●●●●○● |
| Adobe <b>Lightroom</b>  | ●●●●●○ |
| Adobe <b>Premiere Pro</b>   | ●●●●○● |
| Adobe <b>After Effects</b>  | ●●●●○● |
| Maxon <b>Cinema 4D</b>  | ●●●●○● |
| <b>Figma</b>  | ●●●●○● |
| <b>Python</b>   | ●●●●○● |
| Microsoft <b>Office</b>   | ●●●●○● |

### Language

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| Persian (native) |  <b>IELTS®</b><br><b>Overall Band Score: 7</b><br>Listening: 8   Reading: 7.5<br>Writing: 6.5   Speaking: 6 |
| English (fluent) |  |

### Interpersonal Skills

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| Teamwork       | Logical Thinking |
| Responsibility | Creativity       |

### Hobbies

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|  Photography | Freelance Photographer<br> 2013 - Present <b>500PX</b>   |
|  Art Cinema  | Film Criticism<br> 35mm Art Quarterly, Shiraz University |

## References

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