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What’s possible with a degree in HCI?

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Fast Facts

Enjoy a vibrant and diverse student culture with students from over 49 countries, a 44% female student body, and hundreds of on-campus student organizations and recreational opportunities. The college is also located just minutes from Washington DC, the nation’s capital, which offers innumerable opportunities to explore history and culture.

Hands-On Approach to Learning

At the UMD iSchool, we believe one of the best approaches to learning is doing. Top industry and government partners provide unequaled applied learning opportunities for our students, such as capstone projects, internships, and weekly discussions with industry experts. Partners include Google, Capital One, PayPal, CISCO and many more. Students also have opportunities to volunteer at the college’s world-renowned research centers and labs.

“Professors at the iSchool taught me not only the fundamentals of UX design, but also how to be an advocate for design.”

- Jenny Hottle, HCIM 2017

Product Designer for the New York Times