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Career Objective

Through my education at the College for Creative Studies, a top-ranked institution for art and design, I have built a strong foundation in product design, blending creative problem solving with thoughtful aesthetic expression. I have a passion for developing conceptually innovative and visually exciting products that resonate with users. I am currently seeking a summer 2026 internship where I can gain valuable professional experience, apply my skills to real-world projects, and deepen my understanding of the full design process. With a user-centered approach guiding my work, I am eager to contribute my creativity, critical thinking, and growing expertise within a dynamic professional environment.

Education

College For Creative Studies

Bachelor in Fine Arts
Product Design Major
Grade level: Junior, GPA: 3.28/4.00

Detroit, MI

September 2022 - May 2026

Experience

College for Creative Studies

Teaching Assistant

Detroit

July 2023

- Assisted in instructing and mentoring pre-college students in a comprehensive three-week product design program.
- Guided students through the entire design process, from ideation to execution.
- Fostered students' creativity and problem-solving skills through mentorship and support.
- Enhanced communication skills by effectively conveying complex design concepts.

Dahsheng Chemical Sponsored Studio

Student Designer

Detroit

Fall 2023

- Developed a potential product concept for a shoe insole manufacturer, focusing on innovation and functionality.
- Conducted research and brainstorming sessions to ensure alignment with industry standards and company goals.
- Collaborated with a team to refine design ideas and incorporate feedback for continuous improvement.
- Gained hands-on experience in product development, from ideation to meeting company expectations.
- Learned the importance of teamwork, communication, and adhering to corporate standards in a professional setting.

Buffalo Brothers Studios East

Graphic Designer

Royal Oak, MI

May-September 2025

- Assisted in creating production-ready packaging files for Mopar accessories and service products, including accurate layout, print prep, and compliance details.
- Supported senior designers with diverse design challenges and revision cycles that aligned with strict brand and manufacturing requirements.
- Collaborated on label systems that required careful hierarchy, safety icons, and regulatory information used across national automotive retail channels.
- Worked hands-on with printers and packaging samples to verify color accuracy, material choices, fit, and final appearance.
- Gained experience with real corporate brand guidelines and the full path from design concept to production.

Skills

Technical

- Rhineros 3D
- Keyshot
- Solidworks

Design

- Sketching
- Branding
- Packaging

Software

- Adobe Photoshop
- Adobe Illustrator
- Procreate

Core Strengths

- Creative problem solving
- Attention to detail
- Graphic sensitivity