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DESIGN EXPERIENCE

Graphic Design Intern

Illinois State University Horticulture Center, Normal, IL
January 2025-Present

- Balanced multiple projects at one time.
- Completed projects in a timely manner.
- Worked on various projects including stickers, booklets, postcards, posters, and signs.
- Collaborated with the Horticulture Center and ISU to effectively promote events.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Store Associate

ALDI, Pekin, IL

May 2025-Present & August 2022–November 2024

- Provided exceptionally quick customer service.
- Worked diligently to quickly adapt to the store's perpetual changing environment.
- Trained and proficient in financial transactions.
- Collaborated closely with team to keep the store neat, stocked, and clean.

Snack Shop Worker

Bass Pro Shops, East Peoria, IL

November 2024–May 2025

- Provided exceptional customer service.
- Focused on many food-handling tasks at once.
- Successfully operated snack shop alone.

Shift Lead & Team Member

LaGondola Spaghetti House, Pekin, IL

April 2021–July 2022

- Provided exceptional customer service through phone calls and face-to-face communication.
- Accurately calculated sales for the day.
- Correctly and promptly cooked/prepped food.
- Communicated orders and tasks to my team.

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Fine Arts in Graphic Design

Illinois State University, Wonsook School of Art and Design, Normal, IL, May 2026, 4.0 GPA

Associate in Arts in Graphic Design

Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL, May 2024, 4.0 GPA

EXHIBITIONS

BFA Senior Show

Illinois State University Julian Hall, Normal, IL, 2026

ISU x INU Design Dialogue

Illinois State University Julian Hall, Normal, IL, 2025
Incheon National University Art Space In, Incheon, South Korea, 2025

Wonsook School of Art and Design Student Annual

University Galleries of Illinois State University, Normal, IL, Juried Exhibition, 2025

AWARDS & HONORS

Graphic Design Best in Show Award

Wonsook School of Art and Design Student Annual, Normal, IL, Juried Exhibition, 2025

Stephanie Amster Design Scholarship

Illinois State University Graphic Design Scholarship, Normal, IL, 2025

Dean's List

Illinois State University, Normal, IL, 2024–Present

Wubbena Memorial Scholarship

Illinois Central College, Art Scholarship, East Peoria, IL, 2022–2024

President's List

Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL, 2022–2024

SKILLS

Adobe

- After Effects
- Illustrator
- InDesign
- Photoshop

Other

- Axure
- Google Docs
- Outlook
- Word
- Figma
- Google Slides
- PowerPoint