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Education

MBA from University of Phoenix, July 2008- Present

Thus far, have completed courses in organization leadership and management studying how to innovate and motivate. Also taken courses in quantitative reasoning solving for business problems using analytic data and research. It is an ongoing educational experience.

BFA in Furniture Design from Rhode Island School of Design, 2004-2008

Curriculum designed to instill innovative thinking and cultivate creative strategies to create solutions for unique problems. Tailored the focus to understand conceptualizing product, manufacturing processes, and entrepreneurial thinking. Provided broad spectrum of design skill sets that range from product, graphic, and art.

Experience

Freelance February-June 2009

Self-employed within a Co-op studio. Continue to free-lance projects for previous employers, Hellman and Chang. Independent projects include design build, custom furniture, and installation. Managerial work required great attention to detail in research and concept development, creating budgets, and working with clients.

Hellman & Chang, June-December 2008

Helped developed design processes for production of custom furniture pieces in a fast-pace furniture company. Interpreted construction drawings. Made advisements and did research for materials. Oversaw the construction and quality control.

BDDW: Summer Internship of 2007

Learned the inner working of a high quality furniture company environment. Took part in many facets of the company from production in the their warehouse, and up keep in their show room.

Swarovski Crystals & RISD Spring Semester of 2007

Collaborated with Corporate Officials and RISD professors to design showpiece furniture based on their product to be exhibited internationally. Through presentations and discussions a design solution was chosen that best promoted their products capacity in the furniture industry, and then executed.

Computer skills

Is Familiar with Microsoft office and Adobe Suite (Illustrator, Photoshop, and Indesign). Also familiar with Cad programs like AutoCad, Rhino, Colbalt, and Graphite.

References

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