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Education

Virginia Commonwealth University Richmond, VA

BFA in Painting and Printmaking with a minor in Art History. Major GPA of 3.2, December 2016

Related Coursework

German Expressionism / Medieval Art and Architecture / Survey of Western Art, August 2012-October 2014

- Research, organize and review information relating to Icon Art and post-impressionist works for paper
- Facilitate team projects of 4 members and consolidate research documents for presentation
- Organize and lead a 25-minute presentation on German Expressionists during WWI for midterm group project

Advanced Drawing and Painting / Printmaking: intermediate etching / Senior Seminar / January 2013- October 2014

- Produce highly detail oriented copper plate intaglio works independently for group discussion
- Archive etches and focus on art placement and labeling of paintings during weekly presentations
- Plan and execute etches with exceptional technical skill proven by high level of academic achievement
- Meet deadlines and provide results by dividing projects into more manageable parts

Additional Experience

Portrait House / Nile Richmond / Noodle and Co., May 2013 –October 2014

- Create a comfortable restaurant environment in which constituents feel welcome and invited
- Build relationships and expand skills in a fast paced interpersonal kitchen environment
- Work independently every weekend; single handedly producing meals for catering at Elwood Thomson's
- Move/lift produce ranging from 30-100 pounds in bulk frequently and quickly during shipments

Relevant Skills

- Proficient in Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Photoshop
- Able to fluently speak and understand Armenian
- Cross culturally competent due to previous multi-cultural work environments