Chris Zhu

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Education

Expected May 2020

School of the Art Institute of Chicago (SAIC)

BFA in Visual Communication Design Dean's List for Outstanding Students Excellence in Leadership Award Merit Scholarship Award Recipient

January 2019

FCC Responsive Web Design Certification (300 hours)

HTML/CSS, Responsive Principles, Applied Accessibility

Work Experience

Present

Art Direction Intern / Razorfish / Publicis Health

Delivers high science in an exciting and relevant manner, visualizing medical data in a variety of collateral. Thrives on tight deadlines + high-density briefs from copy and account teams to match Medical/Regulatory/Legal requirements.

Spring 2018

Digital Design Intern / Obama Foundation

Provided design and logistical support for Chicago and NYC staff; designed both digital and physical collateral to engage audience, with the primary of goal of funding the development of the Barack Obama Presidential Center.

Spring 2017

Marketing Intern / Chicago Sun-Times

Designed for marketing and editorial staff at a daily newspaper reaching over 1.6M unique readers per month. Provided logistical and collateral support.

2017 — Present

Journalist / FNews Magazine

Wrote op-ed pieces for an award-winning publication, involving political commentary and academia. Involved travel, interviews, and challenging deadlines.

Skills

Adobe XD Sketch After Effects Photoshop Illustrator InDesign HTML & CSS Customer Relations Writing/Editing

Letters of recommendation available on request.

Volunteering & Projects

2018 — Present

Team Leader / CDPH Collateral Contributor

Leads over 20 students in cooperation with Chicago Department of Public Health to a.) combat the growing Opioid Crisis and b.) support the Healthy Homes & Lead Prevention Initiative through creative volunteer projects.

2017 — Present

Student President / Artists on the World Wide Web

Facilitates student professional development through workshops and student-hosted seminars; organizes weekly events and projects; leads design students in long-term collaborations with nonprofits and Chicago city orgs.

2019 Superdry Online Store Redesign

Proposed redesign of Superdry fashion brand's online store, using a full spectrum of market research, design prototyping, and code. Performed case studies on competitors, created a fully-functioning site for web and mobile.