

MEGAN GILPIN

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SKILLS

// PROFESSIONAL

- Critical Thinking
- Communication
- Project Management
- Teamwork
- Leadership
- Presentation
- Time Management
- Self Motivated

// TECHNICAL

- Adobe Illustrator
- Adobe Photoshop
- Adobe InDesign
- HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript
- MySQL
- node.js
- jQuery, Bootstrap, Express.js
- Word, Excel, PowerPoint

EDUCATION

COLUMBIA ENGINEERING - FULL-STACK BOOTCAMP

Columbia University - 2019

BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS / FASHION DESIGN

The Illinois Institute
of Art-Chicago - 2009

SUMMER INTENSIVE STUDY / FASHION DESIGN

Parsons, The New School
for Design - Summer 2006

PROFILE

Versatile full stack coder at the intersection of web development and design, with nearly 10 years of experience as a menswear designer, developing creative consumer focused, cost-effective product and the proven ability to oversee the strategy and growth of product categories. An underlying passion for innovation has driven the pursuit of Full Stack Web Development through the Columbia Engineering Bootcamp, with a focus on node.js, sql and javascript applications, front end development with modern css. Highly skilled communicator and project manager who works well in fast-paced environments with tight deadlines and within cross functional teams.

EXPERIENCE

DESIGNER - OUTERWEAR / BOTTOMS / DENIM

Original Penguin | New York, NY 2014 - Present

- Oversee concept, design, and production of the global assortment of outerwear, bottoms, and denim; 450 skus per year for retail, DTC, and wholesale stores in over 30 countries.
- Maximized outerwear sourcing and design to improve margin by 10% within first year; consecutively achieved new maximum target margin per sku in all following years.
- Implemented bottom category relaunch, resulting in 83% growth in bottoms share of the total sales mix.
- Interpret global trend research to create a quarterly report of seasonal and category initiatives.
- Present concepts and designs to internal teams, including an annual global sales launch for an audience of over 200 people.
- Travel to China, Taiwan, and Mexico to work with agents and factories on new developments, including denim wash development in multiple wash houses.
- Direct assistant designer on pattern, print, and development of woven shirts; along with all day-to-day tasks.
- Coordinate with cross-functional teams to approve all development and bulk production to ensure quality, consistency, and aesthetic meets brand standards and calendars.
- Spearhead redesign and relaunch of denim developed with Adriano Goldschmied.
- Create co-branded, marketable specialty items by establishing partnerships with mills and trim vendors such as British Millerrain, Schoeller, and PrimaLoft.
- Designed over 10 exclusive capsule collections for retailers such as Bloomingdales, Nordstrom, and Macy's.

ASSOCIATE DESIGNER - OUTERWEAR / SUIT SEPARATES

Kenneth Cole | New York, NY 2011-2014

- Created designs and developed fabrics and trims for Kenneth Cole, Reaction, and Outlet lines.
- Assisted in growing Reaction business from 150 Macy's doors to Macy's all doors.
- Managed CAD designer to ensure optimal productivity.
- Partnered with cross-functional teams to interpret selling results, sku plans, and design calendar to create product within given price ranges and time frames.
- Communicated with overseas agents in over 5 countries throughout all stages of development and production.
- Created, organized, and maintained all technical packages for outerwear and suit separate styles.
- Sourced materials and made garments locally for Kenneth Cole fashion show.

FREELANCE DESIGNER - KNITS / DENIM / OUTERWEAR / SUIT SEP.

Kenneth Cole | New York, NY 2009-2011

- Built and maintained technical packages sent to overseas agents.
- Partnered with VP of Design to create and sent out color palettes each season.
- Reviewed and sent out comments for fabric, trim, and fittings from development to production.
- Researched and interpreted trends to create brand right trend presentations for Kenneth Cole and Reaction lines.