




Samantha Alva

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I'm a junior in the Web Design and Development program with a strong focus on user-centered design and user research. I have experience designing intuitive, accessible interfaces and collaborating on semester-long projects with real clients. While design is my primary focus, I also have working knowledge of HTML, CSS, and JavaScript, which helps me create thoughtful, feasible solutions.

Experience

Catering Team Captain *9/ 2025 - Current*
Thanksgiving Point

- Manage a team of servers at high-end events (Wedding receptions, company luncheons, etc.)
- Analyze Banquet Order Forms (BEO's) to properly execute setup, guest interactions, and cleanup
- Provide friendly and memorable service to guests
- Operate on a strict timeline, often under stressful circumstances
- Communicate with management and event planners to properly prepare for events

Yearbook Copy Editor *8/ 2021 - 5/ 2022*
Skyridge High School, Lehi, UT

- Took photos of school events with a professional-quality camera
- Used Jostens Monarch software to create page spreads for the yearbook
- Collaborated with other students to design and write effective spreads
- Edited written submissions from peers and gave feedback

UX Experience

UVU Bookstore Redesign *8/2025 - 12/2025*
Utah Valley University

- Worked on a team of 3 and collaborated on Figma.
- Started with user research to inform designs, looking for feedback whenever we hit a milestone.
- Designed at least 5 different user flows, all displayed in a polished, working Prototype

Utah Poetry Society *1/2026 - 4/2026*
Utah Valley University

- Kept in contact with my client remotely, and collaborated through Teams.
- Published a working UTSPS site, coded with HTML, CSS, SCSS, and JS.
- Worked under tight time constraints while keeping the product clean and professional.

Education

High School Diploma & High Honors *5/ 2023*
Skyridge High School, Lehi, UT

Graphic Design Student *8/ 2023 - 4/ 2024*
Southern Utah University, Cedar City, UT

UX Student *8/ 2024*
Utah Valley University, Orem, UT

Skills

Soft Skills	Hard Skills
• <i>Communication</i>	• <i>Design Process</i>
• <i>Client Interaction</i>	• <i>Naming Conventions</i>
• <i>Collaboration</i>	• <i>CSS/ HTML/ SCSS</i>
• <i>Time Management</i>	• <i>UX Research</i>
	• <i>User Testing</i>
	• <i>Figma</i>
	• <i>Adobe Suite</i>