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Objective

- Willingness to be a part of the company's growth
- Learn more about computer systems and database
- Gain knowledge in today's tasks and how technology helps us tackle them
- Incorporate what I've learned in school to help one see problems in a different light

Education

- Jun. 2014 Napa Valley College - Napa, CA
Autodesk Certification Training
- Jun. 2012 University of California, Davis - Davis, CA
Bachelor in Design, emphasis in Interior Architecture

Awards, Recognition and Participation

- 2012 2nd place LED Luminaire Design Competition,
California Lighting Technology Center - Davis, CA
- 2012 College of Letters and Science Dean's List, *University of California, Davis*
- 2010-2012 American Society of Interior Designers, *UC Davis Chapter*
2010 Social Chairman
2011 Event Organizer

Getting Involved

Learning is something I've always cherished, whether from my mistakes or through instructions. I always find myself wanting more, never settling for what is given or taught to me. I try to find answers to how things work and why. By this, I get a better understanding of the obstacles at hand as a whole, and become further engaged in the tasks that need to be done.

Great Energy and Adaptation

I keep an energetic attitude because it makes work that much more fun and interesting for everyone. It helps keep the work flow smooth and it's efficiency at it's highest. Similar to sports teams, when everyone is in the game with the right attitude, projected goals or planned objectives are achieved quicker or sometimes exceeded. I'm able to adapt to many situations. From unexpectedly working more than expected on a project, having an inconsistent work schedule, or stepping up to temporarily play the role of whoever needs help, I can easily wear different hats at once.

Design

I have a very deep passion for design. Throughout the whole design spectrum and flavors it comes in, design will never considered, "complete", yet we strive to get as close as possible to perfect. If we didn't care so much about design, we would be more stressed throughout our day, not knowing what could be causing it. One of my greatest goals is to inspire people how important design is; aesthetically and physically. What better way to do so than to actually work in the field I dreamed to be in for years.

Collaborating with others

One of our greatest gifts is to communicate to one another our thoughts, whether through a type of language, art, or even through a simple text message. Collaborating with other people with the same passion or commonalities as ones self help them grow much quicker and become better and what they do. One can learn from other's mistakes, their success, advice, as well as their opinions. Whether if in a group of 60, or 5, collaborating with others help shine the light on area's one might not have seen in the beginning, influencing a more desirable outcome.

Work Experience

- Oct. 2013-Present Crate and Barrel
- Feb.-May 2013 Jiun Ho, Inc., San Francisco, CA
- 2010-2012 Activities and Recreation Center, University of California, Davis
- 2007 - 2013 Costco Wholesale, Vallejo, CA

References Upon Request