




YILEI QIAN

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Online Portfolio



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Work Experience

Freelance Knitwear Designer Oscar De La Renta
Nov 2024

- Assist designer in designing and recreating knit fabrics
- Crochet garment for campaign shoot
- Work with lead designer and team to meet project deadlines

Freelance Design Assistant Katherine Simone
Aug-Sept 2024

- Assist designer in draping and creating new silhouettes
- Redesign and alter traditional kimonos for a western market
- Spec new garments and create CADs/Tech Packs

Fashion Intern Anna Sui
Jan-May 2024

- Assist sample room team with garment and pattern alterations
- Assist in sample-making and errands around the Garment District
- Assist with model fittings, creating CADs, and sourcing trims
- Research and assist in creating moodboards and fabric boards

Freelance Designer/Technical Designer chng+crw/
Alpha Industries
Nov 2022-Jan 2024

- Design, spec, patternmake/grade dog jackets repurposed from overstock jackets
- Collaborate with brand owner/team on optimizing product look, functionality, and fit
- Lead team to produce 120 jackets for product launches
- Manage team and communicate with brand owner on deadlines and specifics to drive successful and efficient completion of 3 brand collaborations

Design/Patternmaking Assistant Rotell
Feb-Oct 2023

- Assist designer in draping and creating new silhouettes
- Spec garments and create CADs/Tech Packs for production
- Draft patterns for new garments
- Alter patterns based on customer measurements
- Cut and sew samples for fitting

Fashion Designer Bloomingdale's
Jul-Aug 2022

- Coordinated with Bloomingdales window design team to conceptualize display for their 150th anniversary
- Designed a modern look inspired by the Bloomingdales' vintage Calvin Klein Barbie in accordance with Bloomingdale's updated brand identity
- Draped/Patternmade, fitted, and sewed garments for display

Showroom Assistant Glam LAApparel
Sept 2021

- Arranged showroom and styled looks to drive brand awareness
- Prepared sample garments for display in showroom
- Informed buyers on trends, availability, product specifications, distribution, delivery, deadlines, and price

Education

Bachelors of Fine Arts- Knitwear
Fashion Institute of Technology 2022-2024

**Associates of Applied Science
- Fashion Design**
Fashion Institute of Technology 2020-2022

Awards

**Future of Fashion 2024
Knitwear Critic Award**
- Stacey Tester 2024

**Michael Kors
Endowed Scholarship Award**
- Michael Kors 2021

Specialized Skills

Knitwear	General	Programs
Kaledo Knit	Patternmaking	Microsoft Office
Stoll M1 Plus	Illustration	Adobe Illustrator
V-Bed Machine Knitting	Draping	Adobe Photoshop
Flatbed Machine Knitting	Tailoring	Kaledo Print
Patterning/Tech Packs	Intimates	Procreate
Construction/Linking	Activewear	CLO 3D
Hand Knitting	Leather-work	
Crochet	Fabric Dyeing	
	Embroidery/Applique	

Languages

English  Fluent

Chinese  Fluent