

Derrick Oduro

UI/UX & GRAPHIC DESIGNER

Work Experience

An adaptive, visual learner who's objective is to join an inclusive and dynamic digital, or product design team. A company thats leads with passion and community. One that values both individual and collaborative growth, strong leadership and EDP, and an environment that fosters diversity with work-life balance.

UX/UI Associate Certificate

Emily Carr University September 2021 – April 2023

B.Des, Graphic Design OCAD University

September 2013 – Aprill 2018

Software

Adobe Creative Suite (Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign), Microsoft Office, Visual Studio Code, Marvel, Figma, Hootsuite, Google Docs, Google Analytics

Design

Working knowledge of web design (WordPress, SEO), coding (HTML, CSS, Javascript), and motion graphics

Demonstrates strong application in typography, colour, collateral marketing materials, signage, print, and interactive design

Research

Creating prototypes, user flows, and wireframes for app mockup layouts

Founder, Art Director – DOMedia (Freelance)

Brampton, ON | April 2020 - Present

Driving small businesses forward through brand strategy, storytelling, and graphic design; a multimedia hub for creatives and clients that offers an array of services

Creative Designer - The Printing House (TPH)

Mississauga, ON | May 2023 - August 2023

- Consulted with customers efficiently on design, layout, and making revisions as required to complete solutions with attention to details
- Engaged proficiently with latest software: Adobe Creative Suite, Acrobat Pro, PitStop, MS Office, Teams, Connect Fonts for productivity
- Preflighted digital print-ready files, offset, large format for output with knowledge of the Pantone Colour System, CMYK/RGB colour spaces
- Created new ideas for products that will elevate customer experience

Finishing & Fabrication Specialist

November 2022 - April 2023

- Analyzed work order specifications to prepare and execute projects from start to finish, packaged products shipped via courier to clients
- Maintained a sense of urgency for project completion deadlines by being attentive to machine capabilities, and required resources
- Operated machinery to trim, custom cut, book bind, laminate, and transform digital print into high-quality products that will exceed customer's expectations
- Inspected work and area to ensure accuracy, quality control and safety

Social Media & Marketing Manager – Benelux Tek Group Inc.

Mississauga, ON | August 2020 - September 2022

- Developed content creation and copywriting for brand awareness through digital assets such as image posts, carousels, short videos
- Assisted with eCommerce production and website layout using Shopify to display and market products/services to customers
- Coordinated communications across social media platforms (Instagram, Facebook, LinkedIn, TikTok) to organize/schedule content
- · Communicated with marketing team to develop ongoing projects that compliment overall brand strategies for inputs/outputs

Ability to sketch, storyboard, and edit videos to exceute from concept to final

Ability to express and present ideas creatively using critical thinking; excellent communication skills (verbal and written)

Intermediate Provisional Member

Registered Graphic Designers (RGD) Association

June 2019 - Present

DEI Committee participant, So(cial)Good Award Winner, 2020

Photographer - Edge Imaging Inc.

Burlington, ON | August 2021 - March 2022

- Photographed portraits of various subjects, both students and staff in schools within the Peel District Board region
- Traveled to different school locations daily to photograph independently or with a team
- Organized to set up/tear down professional photography equipment
- Communicated with school administrators, teachers, and students to ensure customer satisfaction and safety protocols are met

Production Coordinator - CV Studio Inc.

Toronto, ON | March 2020 - December 2020

- Assisted in managing production/hands-on finishing (large format press operation, trimming, assembling prints, packing) in preparation for delivery to clients (Telus, Koodo, Adidas, Reebok, Sephora)
- Practiced the use of inventory and various courier software to generate shipping labels and tracking (Purolator, UPS, FedEx)
- Assisted with quality control to ensure all jobs meet appropriate standards and time

Junior Production Designer (Contract) - Region of Peel Brampton, ON | August 2019 - October 2019

- Designed projects thoroughly with adherence to ROP's brand identity and guidelines to ensure a cohesive design system throughout
- Collaborated with the Marketing Communications and Design team by creating production-ready files and projects for clients such as EarlyON
- Demonstrated drive and organization by prioritizing multiple assignment briefs to work from start to finish in a timely manner

Freelance Editorial Designer - Mediaplanet Toronto, ON | August 2018 - April 2019

- Aligned all design, print and digital campaign content to adhere to MP's global brand standards and integrity
- Created preliminary page layouts to visually ideate concepts for final, working alongside a Project Manager, and a Lead Designer
- Developed icons and graphic elements in Illustrator and Photoshop, proofread copy in Word to implement on InDesign

Art Intern – Contempo Media Toronto, ON | January 2018 - April 2018

- Created artwork and resized images in Photoshop for specific pages assigned by the Art Director for both Sharp & S/Magazine
- Designed page layouts with pre-set templates in InDesign through an accessible team shared folder for organization during production
- Researched by image sourcing content and edited copy for brands, products, and events to be featured in the magazine publications
- Developed presentation layouts for Sharp's social media page (Instagram) to grow their online presence