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EDUCATION

Lake Forest College, Lake Forest, IL May 2026
Bachelor of Arts in Computer Science and Studio Art GPA 3.8

UWC-USA, Montezuma, NM May 2021
United World College IB Diploma Programme

SKILLS

Technical:

- *Proficient in:* HTML+CSS, Adobe Photoshop / Illustrator / InDesign
- *Developing fluency in:* Git, Java, Python, JavaScript, PHP, SQL, DB Management Systems

Languages:

- Russian (Fluent)

WORK AND LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Front-End Web Development Intern January 2025 – Present
MacLean Collection Map Library, Lake Forest, IL

- Leading full technical development of interactive web experiences for a multi-media educational platform
- Designing accessibility-driven comprehensive style guides, UI structure and elements
- Implementing interactive content with HTML/CSS, JavaScript, and responsive frameworks (Bootstrap 5)

Lead Graphic Designer & Layout Editor August 2024 – Present
Tusitala Magazine, Lake Forest, IL

- Overseeing and managing the visual development and publishing of a student-led literary magazine
- Crafting a brand style guide and accessibility-driven layout design, typesetting, and cover design

Course Development & Research Assistant February 2023 – Present
Lake Forest College, Art and Art History Department, Lake Forest, IL

- Collaborating with faculty on inter-disciplinary course development: refining course content and structure, drafting and compiling in-class materials, conducting research to inform new curriculum
- Enhanced 6 Studio Art academic programs to meet the needs of students across 10+ class sections

Senior Library Circulation Assistant August 2022 – Present
Lake Forest College, Donnelley and Lee Library, Lake Forest, IL

- Overseeing book circulation and inventory management in a customer-oriented work environment, ensuring patron satisfaction
- Achieving efficient resolution of complex patron issues including account discrepancies, overdue fines, and interlibrary loan requests
- Acting as primary contact between circulation services and Library departments to troubleshoot and resolve research and technical requests

Studio Art Tutor September 2024 – December 2024
Lake Forest College, Art Department, Lake Forest, IL

- Delivered personalized 1-on-1 tutoring sessions, teaching a range of beginner to advanced drawing techniques
- Crafted individualized learning plans, identifying areas of growth and best educational approaches to enhance students' technical and analytical skills

Independent Illustrator & Online Store Owner April 2016 – March 2022
Freelance, Nizhny Novgorod, Russia

- Designed personalized digital illustrations for local and foreign clients, delivering 1-3 illustrations per week
- Managed an online print-on-demand stationery and apparel store with self-designed merchandize, resulting in 2000+ sold products and 1000+ unique visitors