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I'm an industrial and interaction designer from Connecticut with a knack for concept generation and product presentation.

My experience working in special education taught me **patience**, **empathy**, and the importance of **human-centered design**. Now I'm looking to put my skills to use in the design world.

## Education

**Bachelor of Industrial Design (5 yr.)**  
Syracuse University

May 2024 Cum Laude

Concentration in **Industrial & Interaction Design**, secondary concentration in **Italian Language & Studies**, explorations in Color Theory, Typography, Painting, Sculpture, Soft-Goods and Ethnography.

## Resources & Toolset

Design Thinking, Design Research, User Personas, Semiotics, Rapid Prototyping, Woodworking, Sketching, UI/UX, 3D Modeling & Rendering, Motion Graphics

Fusion360, SolidWorks, Blender, Figma, Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, Premiere Pro, Lightroom, FL Studio, Notion

## Experience

**Special Ed. Paraprofessional / Substitute**  
Southington Public Schools

2024 → 2025 Southington, CT

Covered a long-term maternity leave position and acted as designated substitute for CLC Special Ed. Program, provided flexible support in both one-on-one and group settings for grades 6-8.

**CAD Consultant**  
Lori Jacobs

July 2024 New York, NY (remotely)

Digitized plasticine mock-ups into production-ready 3D models for a dog toy brand. Mesh modeling + Digital Sculpting.

**Student Mentor**  
Syracuse University's InclusiveU

2022 → 2023 Syracuse, NY

Assisted university students with disabilities. Academic tutoring, class engagement support, and teaching college fundamentals.

**Designer**  
OCCRA Battery Recycling Redesign

2020 Syracuse, NY

Research, designed and prototyped a Battery Recycling Station for Onandaga County. Presented to OCCRA Executives, who chose my team's design over multiple proposals.