JACKSON KRUSE

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EDUCATION

Northwestern University 2021 to 2025

B.S. Journalism & Sociology

Loyola High School of Los Angeles 2017 to 2021

ENRICHMENT

WHP Global FEB. 2025

Externship: Design and Fashion Licensing

Parsons School of Design 2022

Course: Graphic Design History

Otis College of Art & Design 2020

Course: Graphic design

SKILLS

SOFTWARE

Adobe Illustrator, InDesign, Photoshop, After Effects; Figma; Microsoft Suite

STRENGTHS

identity, creative direction, brand strategy, design infrastructure, academic research

LANGUAGE

Spanish (working proficiency) Italian (elementary proficiency)

RECOGNITION

William H. Exum Award H.M. JUNE 2024
Northwestern University Sociology Dept.

Student Guest Speaker, Branding JAN. 202: Northwestern Inst. for Business Education

Loyola AwardJUNE 2021
Loyola High School of Los Angeles

STA 100 Award (Shared) DEC. 2020 Society for Typographic Arts work jacksonkruse.com

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EXPERIENCE

Brand Design Resident

SEPT. to DEC. 2024

TaxStatus • Frisco, TX (Remote)

- Led brand renovation projects color palette, new typeface suite, from-scratch icon library, and website relocation — for fintech startup of 15 employees
- Overhauled five digital presentation templates and reformatted existing data visualization assets for delivery at financial services conferences across the U.S.

Design Specialist Intern

JUNE to AUG. 2024

Aon • Chicago, IL

- As a member of North America Pursuit and Creative team, supported over 40
 unique request for proposal (RFP) projects across firm, designing print and
 digital materials including client team charts, data visualization, and microsites
- Led project team of seven fellow interns through a ten-week research project on cyber security; designed final presentation using department project model

Contract Graphic Designer

SEPT. to OCT. 2023

MSCHF • New York, NY (Remote)

 Combined original copy with manipulated brand assets to develop social media campaign for MSCHF's Million Dollar Puzzle during the 2023 holiday season

Brand Design Intern

JUNE to AUG. 2023

Los Angeles 2028 Olympic & Paralympic Games (LA28) • Los Angeles, CA

- Produced day-to-day deliverables including signage for local civics events, stadium digital boards, and environmental design for International Olympics Committee and Team USA events in the United States and Switzerland
- Engaged with small creative team on long-term "Look of the Games" creative strategy; researched and organized concepts from prior games for reference

Graphic Design Intern

FEB. to SEPT. 2022

Marquee Sports Network • Chicago, IL

- Manned the "game day" shift, fulfilling in-game television graphics requests, with designs featured on national television within minutes of completion
- Devised brand identity for "Road to Wrigley," an award-winning weekly program
 that provides multiview coverage of the Chicago Cubs farm system

FREELANCE STUDIO

JAN. 2018 to PRES.

Engages with clients on brand identity and infrastructure; extends services into areas including naming, copywriting, and creative strategy

- Executes contracted social media campaign projects
- Regularly composes one-off posters and social graphics for college band house shows, comedy hours, and theatre performances
- Conducts research on the intersection of visual design and social interaction, with projects including Helvetica as a technological infrastructure, Corporate Memphis and Sianne Ngai's gimmick, and typography and American politics