

Thomas Argauer

Industrial Designer

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Industrial designer focused on the seamless integration of design into everyday life. M.INDD candidate at K-State with hands-on experience across furniture, fixtures, and consumer products, bringing concepts from sketch to fabrication. Hungry, collaborative, and invested in how AI enhances the design process without replacing the thinking behind it.

Kansas State University | Expected May 2027 | GPA: 3.8
Master of Industrial Design (M.INDD) | Minor: Entrepreneurship & Innovation

SKILLS

Software: Fusion 360, SolidWorks, Rhino, Keyshot, Chief Architect, Adobe Creative Suite, Bambu/Prusa Slicer, Vizcom, Fresco

Fabrication & Prototyping: Hand sketching, 3D printing, Foam modeling, Model making, Woodworking, Metal working, Laser cutting, Plasma cutting

EXPERIENCE

Industrial Design Intern | *Hollman, Mespace June-August 2026*

- Designing concepts for Mespace, a small office pod.
- Developing and iterating prototypes through CAD Solidworks modeling and hands-on fabrication.

Student Furniture Designer | *OFS Jan-May 2026*

- Selected to work with OFS on chair design prompt
- Researched and identified gaps in OFS guest chair portfolio to inform original concept development.
- Designed, fabricated and pitched an original chair concept for OFS guest chair line.
- Developed and iterated chair prototypes through CAD modeling and hands-on fabrication.

Student Researcher | *Sloan Jan-May 2026*

- Researched upcoming Sloan technology and identified areas where emerging innovations could be applied.
- Developed and presented a presentation on Sloan's innovative technology pipeline.

Design Intern | *Custom Wood Products Summer 2025*

- Designed and rendered kitchen layout proposals in Chief Architect and presented concepts directly to clients.
- Rotated through shop stations to gain full understanding of the production process from design to fabrication.
- Designed and presented kitchen remodel pitch and participated in a site visit.
- Gained experience in client meetings, custom detailing, and manufacturing workflows.

Freelance Designer | *Self-Employed 2022 - Present*

- Designed graphics and apparel for local artists and organizations, including T-shirts for K-State Smith House.
- Sourced and managed high-quality print vendors to deliver professional finished products.

Program Leader | *Group Mission Trips Summer 2024*

- Led 7 weeks of mission programming in Charleston, SC, managing 100+ campers weekly.
- Designed, delivered, and continuously improved 42 camp programs across the season.
- Collaborated with staff to manage logistics and troubleshoot operational challenges.

ACHIEVEMENTS & INVOLVEMENT

Keyshot Ambassador: Official campus ambassador

Student Teacher: Prepared and shared ID skill workshops

MADE in Manhattan: Exhibited work 3 times

IFW Design Emphasis: Finalist

K-State IAID: College rebranding committee member

Eagle Scout: Achieved Eagle Scout; served as Troop leader

SGA: Held roles of President, Vice President, and Secretary

STOA Speech & Debate: 5+ years; qualified for Nationals

Isidore's Swing Dance: Club instructor and founding teacher

