




# Austin Hlinka

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## Experience

### Dow

College Co-Op | October 2021 - Present, Auburn Mi

- Supported application testing in the NA Warranty Lab, which conducts ~75,000 product tests annually
  - Mastered three ASTM methods to support customers purchasing Dowsil™ products
  - Proficient in web-based tool to manage test requests input by customers
- Learned management of change process to support laboratory safety
- Championed metal recycling initiative in alignment with Dow's 2025 Sustainability Goals - Advancing a Circular Economy; Established workflow to recycle metal (~300lb/month)
- Designed posters to promote team for internal programs & events
- Participated in Dow's Employee Resource Groups and active volunteer participant in the community

### Mcdonald's

Crew Trainer | Sep 2017- May 2021

- Mentored new employees on company standards through trainings and support

## Skills

**UX/UI** | Figma ● User Research ● User Testing  
● Wireframing ● Prototyping ● Competitive Analysis  
● Information Architecture ● User Personas

**Graphic Design** | Adobe illustrator ● Photoshop  
● InDesign ● Canva ● Brand Standards ● Typography

**Front End Development** | HTML ● CSS ● JS  
● SEO ● Ai

**Soft Skills** | Problem Solving ● Time Management  
● Adaptability ● Ethics ● Collaboration

## Summary

I am an enthusiastic and detail-oriented Graphic Design and UX/UI student with experience in front-end development and a strong background in the Adobe Creative Suite. A proven ability to work collaboratively in team settings and passionate about creating user-centric designs. Eager to use knowledge and experience to contribute to innovative projects in a dynamic work environment.

## Education

### Saginaw Valley State University

B.A. in Graphic Design | Minor in UX Design  
Graduation: Dec. 2024  
GPA: 3.88

## Certificates

- Foundations of UX Design | Coursera
- UX Design Process: Empathize, Define, Ideate | Coursera
- Build Wireframes and Low Fidelity Prototypes | Coursera

## Interests

- Self-Improvement ● Technology
- Weight Lifting ● Football ● Music