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Education

2023/10 – 2027/03

Bachelor of Design for Product and Communication | University of Applied Sciences Dresden, expected graduation March 2027, current Grade: **1.3**

09/2014 – 07/2022

Abitur | Gymnasium Bürgerwiese Dresden, Grade: **1.5**

Relevant Professional Experience

10/2025 – 03/2026

Research Internship | Tectonic Formation Lab, RMIT University Melbourne

- Contributed to projects focusing on sustainable material combinations and advanced manufacturing techniques of recycling post-consumer plastics
- Independently developed a 3D-printed suitcase from initial concept to fully functional prototype, taking full responsibility for the entire process

04/2025 – 09/2025

Design Thinking Project | Elevait GmbH, Dresden

- Developed prototype solutions for transparent and intuitive access rights
- Conducted user research, analysis, design and usability testing

03/2024 – 07/2025

Photo Studio Assistant | University of Applied Sciences Dresden

- Responsible for professional product photography, image editing and asset management (Photoshop, Lightroom) and visual storytelling for university projects

11/2022 – 07/2023

Au Pair & French Language Course | ELFE Paris École de langue française

02/2020 – 02/2020

Internship Editorial Team | Top Magazin Dresden

- Design of print and digital layouts, user interface design and typography

Scholarships

02/08 - 28/08/2026

Fulbright | Summer School "A Culture of Sustainability", NC State University

09/2025 – 09/2026

Deutschlandstipendium | University of Applied Sciences Dresden

09/2025 – 10/2025

Saxony Science Ambassador Program | National Taipei University of Technology Taiwan

10/2024 – 07/2026

Entrepreneur Scholarship | YETI Dresden

Skills

UX/UI & Prototyping: Wireframing, Interactive Prototypes (Adobe XD/Figma), Design Thinking, User Research, Usability Testing, Interaction Design

Software: Adobe Creative Cloud, Autodesk Fusion 360, Rhino, Basic JavaScript, Microsoft Office, Video Editing & Motion Design

Languages: German (**native**) | English (**C1**) | French (**B2**)

Personal Strengths: Communication, leadership, teamwork, persistence

Interests: 16+ years violin, orchestra, film shooting/editing, outdoor sports