

DESIGN PHILOSOPHY:

The goal of JL Design Group, LLC is to have a positive influence on society as a whole through the creation of environmentally responsible, universally functional, and aesthetically pleasing interior environments, while expanding upon professional knowledge and personal growth. A successful design project is achieved only through complete honesty and teamwork with the client, professional consultants, and experienced contractors.

PROFESSIONAL WORK HISTORY:

- **JL Design Group, LLC, Owner and Senior Interior Designer, Oswego, IL; July 2007– Present**
 - Business Owner
 - Full Residential and Commercial Interior Design Services including space planning, finish selections, construction documentation and bidding, furniture selections and bidding, and construction administration.
- **Burnidge Cassell Associates, Senior Interior Designer, Elgin, IL: November 2005-July 2007**
 - Lead efforts to expand the Interior Design Department, mentored and supervised interior design interns.
 - Responsible for creative space planning, finish selection, client presentation, full construction documents and construction management of various design-build projects, within or under budget.
 - Developed, bid and supervised installation of large furniture packages, 100% under budget.
 - Participated in team presentations resulting in project acquisition.
- **Heitman Architects, Senior Interior Designer, Itasca, IL: July 2005-November 2005**
 - Lead efforts to expand the Interior Design Department, mentored and supervised interior design interns.
 - Responsible for creative space planning, finish selection, client presentation, full construction documents and construction management of various design-build projects, within or under budget.
 - Developed, bid and supervised installation of large furniture packages, 100% within or under budget.
- **Illinois State University, Full-time Graduate Assistant and Assistant Professor, Normal, IL: 2003-2004**
 - Overall superior student evaluation of teaching performance.
 - Restructured, managed and implemented innovative material and projects for studio level interior design courses.
 - Provided students with meaningful professional insight and knowledge through lecture and example.
 - Conducted in-depth scholarly research of appropriate children's environments, with emphasis on day care centers serving children ages 3-5, full time through the assessment of existing facilities and site observation.
- **Phillips Swager Associates, Interior Designer, Naperville, IL: January 2000-August 2003**
 - Established interior design department and finish library at this location.
 - Mentored and supervised interior design interns.
 - Responsible for creative space planning, finish selection, client presentation, full construction documents and construction management of large scale projects, 100% within or under budget.
 - Developed, bid and supervised installation of large custom furniture packages, 100% within or under budget.
 - Participated in team presentations resulting in project acquisition.
- **Facilities Planning, Illinois State University, Part-time Student Intern, Normal, IL**
 - January 1996 – December 2000

EDUCATION:

Bachelor of Science, Interior and Environmental Design
Illinois State University, Graduation: December 1999

Masters of Science, Interior and Environmental Design
Illinois State University, Graduation: May 2005, Thesis pending

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS, AWARDS AND HONORS:

NCIDQ Certified, ASID, IIDA