# **EVAN GROSS**

## Merchandising / Product Development

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## **OBJECTIVE**

Enthusiastic and detail-oriented fashion graduate driven to launch my career in Apparel Merchandising and Product Development.

Passionate about combining my creativity, insights, and education to develop consumer-driven and trend-focused apparel collections.

Eager to contribute to a dynamic team and help grow product lines through research, trend analysis, and collaboration.

## **EXPERIENCE**

#### 07/2024 - Present

Lead Sales Associate

Boulder, CO

#### **BYLT Basics**

- · Spearheaded the successful opening of the brand's first Colorado location by overseeing inventory management, visual merchandising, and staff training with regional manager.
- Execute keyholder responsibilities, including store opening/closing procedures, register and deposit management, daily goal-setting using chat-in sheets, and daily performance reporting to corporate (AOV, UPT, Conversion)
- · Consistently meet and exceed daily store sales targets, achieving over \$1,000 in daily sales within the store's first week of operation.
- Lead the sales team with personal daily sales exceeding \$1,000, demonstrating expertise in upselling and cross-selling across the product line.
- Manage a team of eight sales associates and support staff, ensuring operational efficiency and fostering a high-energy, customer-focused environment.

#### 04/2023 - 05/2024

Merchandising and Sales Associate

Fort Collins, CO

## Vado

- · Oversaw brand management for surf-style boutique through social media, fashion shows, and photo shoots for the S/S line to promote Dickie's Jeans, Billabong, and other designers
- · Created content on Instagram and TikTok, increasing followers by 25% in two months
- · Facilitated inventory and SKU management process, pricing strategy, and promotional planning
- · Designed visually appealing displays, enhancing the store's space planning and customer experience
- Participated in buying trips to procure high-quality products based on trends and to build vendor relations
- · Exceeded sales goals by \$2,000+/month

#### 05/2022 - 08/2022

Server

St. John, Virgin Islands

- Lovango Resort

  Delivered a luxury guest experience, successfully serving 100+ customers per shift
- · Worked closely with chefs by expediting and serving upscale menus
- · Collaborated with resort staff of 75+ to provide exceptional service in fast-paced environment

## **EDUCATION**

09/2020 - 05/2024

Fort Collins, CO

Bachelor of Science, Apparel and Merchandising
 Colorado State University

09/2023 - 12/2023

Florence, Italy

Fashion, Merchandising, and Retail Study Abroad Program
Florence University of the Arts

### **SKILLS**

Adobe Illustrator, InDesign, Photoshop, Shopify, Square, RetailNext, Canva, Google Workspace, Microsoft Office

## **ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE**

#### **Photoshoot and Runway Model**

Vado Clothing and CSU Fashion Show I May 2022 – May 2024

#### Founder / Product Developer

Peach Clothing I September 2016 - May 2017

## Recording Artist, Digital Musician, and Headliner

Outer Space Hip-Hop Show I September 2019 - November 2019