Monique Baptiste

Apparel Technical Designer

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Summary

Apparel technical designer with 6 years of fit and specs for women's and kids' knits and wovens. Runs fit sessions, writes points of measure and grading rules in Centric PLM and works daily with overseas vendors in Asia to get production samples approved on time and to spec.

Experience

03/2022 - Present
Minneapolis, MN

Apparel Technical Designer

North Loop Apparel Co.
Owned-brand apparel developer for a national retailer, women's and kids' categories.

- Manage technical design for **90** knit and woven styles a season across women's and kids' lines.
- Lead 3 fit sessions a week on live models, sending fit comments to vendors within 24 hours.
- Build tech packs, points of measure and grading rules in Centric PLM for sizes XS to 3X.
- Review garment construction and quality reports from 8 overseas vendors, cutting late approvals by 25%.

07/2020 - 02/2022
Minneapolis, MN

Associate Technical Designer

Mill City Brands
Private-label knitwear and activewear maker.

- Measured 300 samples a year against spec and recorded variances in Microsoft Excel.
- Updated grade rules for 40 base blocks after a 2021 size study, improving fit across the size range.
- Drafted construction callouts and stitch details for 60 styles a season in Adobe Illustrator.
- Coordinated sample shipments with 5 vendors, logging every proto, fit and pre-production sample.

06/2019 - 08/2019
Minneapolis, MN

Technical Design Intern

Lake Street Outerwear
Outerwear brand; summer internship.

- Measured 80 jacket samples and entered results into spec sheets.
- Compiled a seam and stitch reference guide used by 4 designers.
- Supported 10 fit sessions by pinning and photographing fit corrections.

Skills

- Tech Packs
- Fit Sessions
- Points of Measure
- Grading
- Garment Construction
- Centric PLM
- Adobe Illustrator
- Microsoft Excel
- Overseas Vendors
- Attention to Detail

Education

05/2020
St. Paul, MN

Bachelor of Science

University of Minnesota
Apparel Design