

[Our FIT Intern] was very self motivated, with an incredible drive to learn. If there was something [she] didn't understand, she was proactive with asking questions and getting answers. If there was a particular design skill set [she] wasn't familiar with (ex: specific Ai), she found the solution quickly and efficiently. Strong design skill, GREAT attitude, high energy. Couldn't ask for better!

-Spin Master

I would say [her] biggest weakness, in my opinion, is that she has 1 more year of school. I would have loved to have hired her right now.

-Spin Master

[Our FIT Intern] is what I look for in a new hire. She embodies what I wish I could find with every interview. She is incredibly talented in her drawing skills, her creative thinking, problem solving, team work, collaboration, attitude... you name it. I cannot speak highly enough of such an immensely talented person about to enter into the amazing world of toys. Her enthusiasm is infectious. I am genuinely excited to see where her career takes her, and I hope I have a spot for her when she is finished with school.

-Spin Master

[Our FIT Intern's] potential is incredibly high. His great attitude and skill set were very well received and many on the team would have preferred he continue working (including myself)!

—Jazwares

It was a pleasure working with [Our FIT Intern] this summer! The toy team at BarkBox already misses him. I am particularly proud of [his] final project, he worked hard to create a concept pitch for a new line of toys. Three of the concepts he created are approved to be sampled and developed, which is very exciting! He is a smart, talented, hardworking designer - I am very excited to see where his career goes from here!

-BarkBox

## FIT Toy Design Summer Internship Program Testimonials

"[Our FIT Intern] is already being missed by the team here and was a wonderful addition as an intern. I've heard from many co-workers and across multiple brands that his work was valued and well received. He showed care for his work and executed smaller tasks/brands with the same diligence and thoughtfulness as he did larger tasks/brands. I do hope to work with [him] again (and outside of a pandemic). He would be a great fit in any design role and he should be very proud of the work completed during his time here this summer. **The entire team here could not** 

be happier with the level of professionalism [he] exhibited and how well he communicated across teams and projects."

Jazwares / Wicked Cool Toys

"[Our FIT Intern] was a terrific asset to the GUND team. She very quickly demonstrated a keen understanding of the GUND brand and was able to concept items that were exactly in line with GUND from both a feature and stylistic point of view. She did an excellent job at staying true to the core essence of GUND while also bringing a fresh perspective and innovative eye to all of the items she worked on. The team loved working with her - she was both an excellent design contributor and a great team member. We would certainly consider her as a permanent design team member once she graduates. [She] researches and finds answers independently, even when it is not asked of her. During the quarantine, the team sent her samples to review and she didn't skip a beat when translating to sketch."

- Spin Master / GUND

"[Our FIT Intern] was able to make a **significant contribution** to our Spring product launch. From concept to product research, competitive analysis to preliminary bill of materials, made up samples and instruction writing, [she] was an enthusiastic and competent contributor during all phases of development. Working under very tight timelines, [her] ability to grasp the assignment and move forward with efficiency, creativity and minimal supervision is a true testament of her overall skills and abilities."

- Faber-Castell / Creativity for Kids

"Everything a full time, seasoned employee would contribute, sketches, renderings, working prototypes, new concepts that are proven out, presentation materials, new toy segments [Our FIT intern] contributed. He was a full team member. **He earned it.** He came to the team with open arms and an open heart, as well as razor sharp understanding of the industry and he is a monster talent. He was not an intern, but a **true member of the team**. When he went back to school, I lost an employee. I will do everything I can to hire him back."

- Hasbro

## FIT Toy Design Summer Internship Program Testimonials (continued)

"[Our FIT Intern] got along well with all employees. [She] worked with eight members of our team on different projects. [She] was a real pleasure to work with. She learned our style and philosophy very quickly, had a friendly and **professional demeanor**, and was very hands on in our process. Her creativity and design abilities are **exceptional**."

-ALEX

"[Our FIT Intern] was able to handle jumping from one project to another with no problems. When I gave him a new one he would listen carefully, absorb the information and start without delay. He **worked hard** to get it done well and done quickly. If he had a question, he would ask, but he was terrific at problem solving and definitely showed initiative."

"[Our FIT Intern] had **a big hand in the development** of two newly acquired international properties where she worked closely with other designers on conceptualizing ideas and generating presentation boards for meetings with upper management. Many of her concepts were well received and at least 7-8 are **moving forward** with our upcoming toy lines."

- Fisher-Price Brands

"[Our FIT Intern's] design skills and insight on the toy industry were **paramount to our success** this summer. Her input on our presentation boards has taken our designs to the next level. [She] is without a doubt an incredible designer. She has inspired the Nickelodeon Toy Team to take the design skills to the next level. Her work to the toy team is immeasurable and **we hope to one day work with her again!**"

- Nickelodeon Consumer Products