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## Alumni Spotlight

**CUYAHOGA VALLEY CAREER CENTER** 

## <u>Julianne Konicek</u> Class of 2017



Julianne Konicek graduated from CVCC's Graphic Imaging Technology (GIT) program instructed by Patrick Ruebensaal in 2017. After graduating from Nordonia High School, Julianne attended Bowling Green State University where she majored in Visual Communication Technology (VCT), an innovative program with a focus on print, interactive media, video, and photo, in which she specialized in print. During her time at BGSU, Julianne was President of the Visual Communication Technology Organization (VCTO), which provided her incredible opportunities and experiences. One of her favorite memories as President of VCTO was having the opportunity to go to Texas for a Printing United expo as part of the Printing United Alliance (Specialty Graphic Imaging Association) which impacted and grew her passion for the print industry all the more.

Julianne is currently working at Source3Media located in Macedonia, Ohio, a full-service branding, printing, and marketing agency, as their Head Printing Press Operator for all offset printing on their production team. You can find her printing anything and everything from posters, catalogs, books, signage, you name it! Julianne was previously employed at Scratch Off Systems located in Twinsburg, Ohio, where she operated their labeling machine and digital printer.

"During my time at CVCC, I always felt that it had this unique friendly environment. I owe so much to Mr. Ruebensaal. He motivated me, supported me, and helped me succeed even if that meant staying after class to help me work on a project or to assist me with college applications. We still keep in touch! He actually helped me obtain my current job. All in all, CVCC opened the door to everything for me and provided me with opportunities I never thought I would have." -Julianne Konicek

Julianne's advice to CVCC students is to seek out and take advantage of every opportunity given to you. "Those opportunities are so important and truly change the game for you. I was ahead of most students in my major at college because of the hands-on and real-world experience provided to me in the GIT program." Keep up the great work, Julianne! CVCC is so proud of you.

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