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My diverse background as CADD designer, writer, editor, teacher uniquely positions me as a versatile technical communicator.

- My goal is a career outside academia that capitalizes on my skillset and depth of experience in visual, written, and spoken communication.

Competencies

AutoCAD
Spatial planning
Visual communication
Priority coordination
Project management
Content creation
Editing

Aptitudes

Creative initiative
Problem solving
Process design
Team building
Interpersonal communication
Humor and positive outlook
Multitasking

Passions

- Identifying patterns, devising systems, and conveying complex technical and conceptual information with clarity, balance, and visual appeal.
- Communicating the design vision with precise, accurate drawings.
- Collaborating with clients and colleagues.

Additional Skills

MS Office, Excel, PPT: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★
HTML5, CSS3: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★
Webdev tools: ★ ★ ★
Javascript: ★ ★
Visual Mapping: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Professional History

fidlnFree Design and Editing 9/2015 to Present

I design and draw residential CADD plans, provide web presence content and design, and help writers of articles, dissertations, theses, blogs, and fiction with coaching and editing. Many of my clients are English language learner professionals in tech, business, and education. (Seattle, WA; 1.5 years)

Academic Positions

Teacher 2006 to 2015

Various positions as professor and teaching assistant for humanities and social science classes. (UC Santa Barbara, Appalachian State Univ.; 3.5 years)

Graduate Student Researcher 2006 to 2009

Assistant Editor for *Ethnomusicology*, Journal of the Society for Ethnomusicology. (UC Santa Barbara; 3 years)

Student (Sonoma State University) 2003 to 2005

CADD Designer and Consultant

CADD Consultant 6/1991 to 2002

CADD training, project management, design, and production services. I trained civil engineers and techs to design/draft maps and plans using AutoCAD and Civil 3D. (Learning Curve Solutions, Santa Rosa, CA)

Civil Technician/CADD Operator 11/1989 to 5/1991

With a small team—two engineers and myself—completed a challenging hillside design for a large residential project on schedule. (Sonoma Civil Consultants, Santa Rosa, CA)

Civil Technician/CADD Operator 2/1989 to 11/1989

I helped Carlile make the transition from manual drafting to CADD. (Carlile Associates, Santa Rosa, CA)

Survey Technician/CADD Operator 10/1986 to 7/1988

I helped Andregg make the transition from manual drafting to CADD. (Andregg, Inc., Auburn, CA)

Education

M.A. in Ethnomusicology, UC Santa Barbara, 2009

B.A. in Music, Sonoma State University, 2005

References available upon request.