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Professional Experience (Full-Time)

ACADEMIC TECHNOLOGY CONSULTANT • UNIVERSITY OF RICHMOND • 2015 – PRESENT

I manage a WordPress network and servers, and consult with faculty using technology at all stages of integration: conceptualization, design, implementation, assessment. Recently I designed a new departmental service model for geospatial visualization and analysis projects. The social sciences are my primary focus; I also work regularly with the humanities, sciences, leadership, education, and law.

INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY SPECIALIST • UNIVERSITY OF MARY WASHINGTON • 2013 – 2015

My focus was the Domain of One's Own initiative, including an annual six-week faculty development series and helping faculty choose and implement web applications. I also worked with the Multicultural Center and other campus partners to develop culturally-relevant programming on the use of social media. The humanities were my primary focus, but I frequently also worked with the social sciences, sciences, business, and education programs.

LEARNING TECHNOLOGIES SPECIALIST • UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA SAN FRANCISCO • 2008 – 2013

Major responsibilities included managing a multimedia lab, including project managing an expansion and reconfiguration in 2010, supporting the quiz and gradebook modules in Moodle, and developing online and face-to-face technology workshops. I served as the primary liaison for dentistry, but also worked routinely with the pharmacy, nursing, and graduate medical education programs.

EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY SPECIALIST • OBERLIN COLLEGE • 2005 – 2008

Important projects in this role included converting a 24-seat, mixed-platform computer lab to Oberlin's first standardized dual-boot facility and developing a support structure for the first course and departmental blogs on campus. I served as the technology (and, sometimes, cultural) liaison for language faculty, and hired and supervised twelve student employees.

Professional Experience (Freelance)

WEBMASTER / PODCASTER / CONTRIBUTING AUTHOR • LANGUAGE LAB UNLEASHED • 2005 – PRESENT

In the beginning years of this site, I produced live multi-participant webcasts, edited and released the ensuing audio in podcast form, and wrote articles on topics relevant to language educators. More recently I have taken a smaller role, maintaining the technical infrastructure and occasionally serving as a pre-publication reviewer and editor.

SERVER ADMINISTRATOR • OBERLIN COLLEGE • 2011 – 2016

During staff vacancies in my previous department, I kept existing systems running smoothly by performing server maintenance, verifying backups, updating applications, and writing documentation.

WORDPRESS CONSULTANT • NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR PRESERVATION EDUCATION • 2015

Working with the group's webmistress, I revamped the organization's existing academic program database to add filtering and a map visualization, using custom content types within WordPress.

PRESIDENT • IDEASUNLEASHED BOARD OF DIRECTORS • 2008 – 2010

IdeasUnleashed provided low- or no-cost custom websites, live webcasting, professional audio engineering, and social networking advice to nonprofits in Lorain County, Ohio. In this role, I led the process of updating governance documents, created and implemented new management and oversight policies, and advised technical staff on proper business and customer service practices.

Education

MASTER OF SCIENCE, SOCIOLOGY • VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY • EXPECTED 2020**CERTIFICATE, ETHICAL HACKING • UNIVERSITY OF RICHMOND • 2017****BACHELOR OF ARTS, ENGLISH AND HISTORY • OBERLIN COLLEGE • 2005**

Technical Skills

INTERMEDIATE OR BETTER KNOWLEDGE

Android, Apache, Articulate, Audacity, AWS, BASH, Blackboard, Box, Canvas, Carto, FTP, Git, Google Apps / G Suite, iMovie, iOS, iWork, Linux (Ubuntu and CentOS), Mac OS, Mediawiki, Microsoft Office, Moodle, MySQL, Omeka, Panopto, PHP, StoryMapJS, TimelineJS, Windows, WordPress

Publications

CHAPTER 8: SPECIAL NEEDS & USAGES TO BE CONSIDERED IN DESIGNING A NEW CENTER

With Barbara Sawhill. Language Center Design. Edited by Felix A. Kronenberg, June 2011.

Grants

\$60K FOR IDEASUNLEASHED SEED FUNDING • NORD FAMILY FOUNDATION • 2006

Honors and Awards

SPOT AWARD • 2011, 2012

Presented by the UCSF Library to recognize excellence in customer service.

ROBERT T. HENDERSON AWARD • 2009

Given by the International Association for Language Learning Technology (IALLT) biennially to acknowledge the promise of administrative contribution to the organization.

Selected Service

MEMBER • UR TRANS INCLUSION POLICY COMMITTEE • 2017 – PRESENT**CO-CHAIR • GIS FOR ARTS & SCIENCES AT UR • 2017****YOUTH GROUP FACILITATOR • SIDE BY SIDE (FORMERLY ROSMY) • 2015 – PRESENT****FOUNDING CHAIR • OBERLIN COLLEGE MULTICULTURAL ALUMNI LEADERSHIP COUNCIL • 2014 – 2016****FOUNDING MEMBER • OBERLIN COLLEGE ALUMNI LEADERSHIP COUNCIL • 2014 – 2016****PRESIDENT-ELECT / PRESIDENT • SWALT BOARD OF DIRECTORS • 2011 – 2014****CHAIR • OBERLIN LAMBDA ALUMNI STEERING COMMITTEE • 2009 – 2016****GOOGLE APPS ADMINISTRATOR • IALLT COUNCIL • 2009 – 2014****WEBMASTER & WEB EDITOR • IALLT COUNCIL • 2009 – 2010**

Selected Presentations & Workshops

THE BALANCING ACT: MAINTAINING A SECURE, USABLE MULTISITE NETWORK

Presenter at WP Campus, Sarasota FL, July 2017.

BEYOND THE BLOG: CREATIVE USES OF WORDPRESS IN THE CLASSROOM

Workshop facilitator, Richmond VA, October 2016.

PURPLE STATE, PURPLE LIVES: THE PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE OF NON-BINARY IDENTITIES

Presenter at the Transgender Information and Empowerment Summit, Richmond VA, October 2015.

UMW DATACAMP '15

Workshop coordinator and presenter, Fredericksburg VA, May 2015

TURN ON, TUNE IN, MAKE RADIO

Co-presenter at ALTfest, Richmond VA, May 2015.

OPEN EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES PANEL

Invited panelist at OpenVA 2.0, Virginia Beach VA, October 2014.

TURN ON, TUNE IN, MAKE RADIO

Co-presenter at the SWALLT Annual Conference, Los Angeles CA, April 2014.

RECLAIM YOUR DOMAIN: DIGITAL SCHOLARSHIP, DIGITAL IDENTITIES, & ACTIVE ENGAGEMENT

Co-presenter at AAC&U's Diversity, Learning, & Student Success conference, Chicago IL, March 2014.

USING TECHNOLOGY TO SUPPORT YOUR LEADERSHIP GOALS

Presenter at UMW's Annual Student Leadership Colloquium, Stafford VA, October 2013.

VIEW FROM THE GROUND LEVEL

Invited panelist at UCSF's Information Technology Forum, San Francisco CA, May 2012.

IF YOU BUILD IT, WILL THEY COME? BUILDING THE NEW TECHNOLOGY COMMONS AT UCSF

Presenter at the University of California's Computing Services Conference, Merced CA, August 2011.

DIGITIZE THIS! CONVERTING ANALOG MATERIALS FOR A DIGITAL SPACE

Presenter at the UCSF Library's Technology Boot Camp, San Francisco CA, August 2011.

LEVERAGING TECHNOLOGY FOR EDUCATION

Co-presenter at the UCSF Academy of Medical Educators' Education Day, San Francisco CA, May 2011.

FEAR 2.0: HOW THE ACADEMY IS GETTING IN THE WAY OF LANGUAGE LEARNING

Co-presenter at the IALLT Conference and Annual Meeting, Atlanta GA, May 2009.

LANGUAGE LAB UNLEASHED: VIRTUAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND COLLABORATION

Co-presenter at CALICO and IALLT's joint conference, San Francisco CA, March 2008.