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### Education

University of Wisconsin—Milwaukee M.A., Journalism & Mass Communication

Graduation: December 2001 w/Honors (GPA: 4.0) Thesis: Of Mice and Media: Animals in American

Television, Newspapers and Culture

Alverno College – Milwaukee B.A., Professional Communication / Liberal Arts

Graduation: December 1997 with Honors\*\*
NOTE: Alverno College does not assign GPA values.\*\*

Milwaukee Area Technical College Associate Degree: Photography and Applied Arts

Graduation: June 1986 with Honors (GPA 3.56)

# **Academic History**

Dept. of Journalism, Advertising and Media Studies (JAMS) *University of Wisconsin—Milwaukee*August 2001 - Present

Sr. Lecturer

-Attained Indefinite Status in Department of Journalism and Mass Communication: August 27, 2007. (By unanimous vote of the JAMS Executive Committee)

#### Classes / Teaching

-Advertising and Public Relations Writing and Production

-Advertising Principles and Practices

-Public Relations Principles and Practices

-Media/Research for Advertising and Public Relations

-Animals in the Media

-Advertising Copywriting

-Advertising in American Society

-Publication Design

-Advertising/PR Campaigns

Designed and teach classes in advertising and public relations including instruction in strategy and production, copywriting, layout and design, advanced campaigns, advertising and PR theory, and advertising and culture. Instruct students in Photoshop, InDesign, WordPress and Microsoft Office.

## Activities and Service to UW-Milwaukee, Department, and College of Letters & Science

- -JAMS Internship Coordinator (2003 2006)
- -Ad Club at UWM (faculty adviser, 2002 present)
- -Department Undergraduate Director (October 2007 Aug. 2012)

#### JAMS Committee Service

- -Undergraduate Committee (Various terms)
- -Technology Committee (Various terms)
- -Curriculum Committee (2006-07)
- -Accreditation Committee (2004, 2012 2013)
- -Search Committees (2004, 2010, 2012, 2013, 2014)

#### **Graduate Student Thesis Committees**

- -Feng Liu (Completion 2002)
- -Heidi Cain (Completion 2003)
- -Kimberly Delaine (Completion 2004)
- -Krista Bensheimer (Completion 2006)
- -Xuan Liang (Completion 2009)
- -Colin Hutt (Completion 2009)

Activities and Service to UW-Milwaukee, Department, and College of Letters & Science (continued)

#### -JAMS Undergraduate Director: 2007 - 2012

Duties included but not limited to:

Chair of Undergraduate Committee and Declaration Appeals Committee. Oversaw declarations of majors and minors to JAMS. Responsible for approving study abroad credits and transfer credits from other universities to JAMS. Responsible for communication with College of Letters & Science advisers and communication each semester with students in JAMS 101 and 201 about major/minor declaration and policies. Assisted JAMS chair regarding scheduling each semester. In charge of interpreting and facilitating policies regarding undergraduate matters of the department.

#### New Course and Curriculum Development (3 examples)

Advertising and Public Relations Writing and Production (JAMS 307)

Developed JAMS 307, a new course in the Ad/PR concentration including creation of syllabus, course structure, assignments and text selections. Developed course curriculum where students learn how to apply tactical skills (writing, production, page layout, social media development) and apply those tactics to a predetermined strategic message and direction.

#### Advertising Copywriting (JAMS 380)

Developed a special topics course that specifically focused on writing for advertising venues including print, television, radio, online, outdoor, brochures and other marketing and advertising mediums. While the focus was on writing, students also were required to develop strategic messages.

#### Animals in the Media (JAMS 660)

Developed a course that looks at how animals are represented in the media. Course covers a broad range of topics including animals in advertising, in documentary and television, in the news, within public relations and animal welfare organization collateral, and in new/social media. This course is a cultural examination of the place of animal in society. Course consistently fills to over capacity.

# **UW-Milwaukee University Service**

- -Animal and Human Communication Focus Group (Spring 2003)
- -Chancellor's Auction Participant (Spring 2003)
- -Panelist: Forum on Large Lecture Teaching Issues and Solutions (2004)
- -Peace of Cloth Auction Party: A Benefit for Gulf Coast Communities (2005)
- -UWM Clean-Up Day (2005)

#### **Student Organization Faculty Adviser**

- -UWM Ad Club (2002 present)
- -UWM Tennis Club (2009-2010)
- -Phi Sigma Sigma Rho (2009 present)

## Dept. of Communication

University of Wisconsin—Whitewater

Spring Semester 2015 - present Adjunct Lecturer

Courses include: Advertising Campaigns

PR Tactics II

Advertising Media Planning and Buying

# Other Instructional Experience

Alverno College, Milwaukee Fall 1999 Teaching Assistant, Professional Communication

Alverno College, Milwaukee Fall and Spring, 1998 - 1999

Seminar Instructor, Pre-semester software orientation on the use of PowerPoint and QuarkXPress

Alverno College, Milwaukee

August - December, 1997

Writing Center Tutor

## **Professional Service**

#### Kohl's Corporate: Consultant 2002 - 2006

Consultant for Kohl's Corporation in the Advertising Department.

#### Green County Humane Society (2003 - 2008)

Volunteer. Produced newsletters. Wrote copy. Advised board on PR activities. Produced spring and end-of-year donation appeal letters. PSA for radio.

#### Milwaukee County Historical Society: Friends Board Member (2003 - 2006)

Served as board secretary. Worked on various fund raising projects, developed marketing materials, and helped raise awareness of the vast wealth of historical sites, buildings and resources in the community.

#### Wisconsin, Ozaukee, and Racine Humane Societies (2007 - 2010, 2012 - present)

-Paws & Claws Gala Board: Auction Committee Chairperson (2007, 2008, 2012 - present)

Coordinated solicitations. Wrote copy for gala catalog. Gala brought in over \$240,000 in 2014

- -Feasting for Fido Committee: (2009, 2010) Event brought in \$25,000+ each year.
- -WHS Open House (2009)

Planning and structuring of event, events coordination, and solicitation for donors / sponsors.

#### Business Marketing Association-Milwaukee (BMA) (2004 - 2009)

- -BMA Committee Member (2004 2008)
- -BMA University Outreach Committee's (UOC) Chairperson (2008 2009). Directed 10 committee members on projects such as student networking, resume and interview events, student forums and BMA scholarship.

#### Milwaukee Animal Rescue Center (2010 - 2012)

-Marketing Committee and Capital Campaigns Committee

#### Brew City Bully Club (2012 - 2014)

-Public Relations

#### **New Moon Productions / Zeidler Center (Spring 2014)**

-Assist with public relations for discussions on gun violence

#### Jerrold Belland, Artist (Spring - Fall, 2015)

-Book promotion for his art series, Scott Walker in Hell.

#### **Stepping Stone Farms (Summer 2015 - present)**

-Consultant: Marketing and graphics

#### Guns, Grief and Grace (Summer 2015 - present)

-Member: Advisory committee

# Harley-Davidson Motor Company: Employment History

Harley-Davidson Motor Company, Milwaukee, Wisconsin Employment Term: March 1991 - August 2001

January 1999 - August 2001

Communication/Public Relations Manager

Responsible for internal and external communication and public relations activities at Capitol Drive (Wauwatosa) and Pilgrim Road (Menomonee Falls) manufacturing facilities. Assisted in developing plant objectives with responsibilities focused on strategic plant communication. Included oversight and development of brochures, videos, presentations and speeches, and other audio/visual communication materials for Harley-Davidson. Developed relationships with community outside of Harley-Davidson, including local, state and national governments, police and fire departments, businesses, schools, and community organizations. Included site visits from VIP guests such as, former U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, former Wisconsin Governor Scott McCallum, and former president George W. Bush.

March 1994 - December 1998 Coordinator of Photography

Studio manager and senior photographer for the Harley-Davidson Photography Studio. Coordinated all in-house photography and staff of photographers on projects including annual new motorcycle and product photography, location assignments, MotorClothes and Parts & Accessories catalogs, 95th Anniversary, and other photographic assignments.

March 1991 - March 1994 Technical Writer / Photographer

Wrote technical documentation, manuals, instruction sheets for the installations of Harley-Davidson Motor Parts and their assembly onto motorcycles. Staff photographer to Harley-Davidson Motor Company.

# Additional Employment History

## **Prime Graphics**

West Allis, Wisconsin

Employment Term: July 1989 - December 1990 Account Service and Copywriter
This was a small shop where I worked in both the area of account service and copywriting. Larger clients included Waukesha Engines and Kohler Company. Also did work for smaller businesses such as Derzon Coins and Mathew Stark Construction.

# Sorgel Studios

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Employment Term: January 1989 - May 1989

Small post-production and graphics company. Entry-level position as a writer and production assistant.

## Allan-Knox Photography

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Employment Term: June 1986 - November 1988

Commercial photography studio. Laboratory assistant and studio stylist.

# **Organizations and Affiliations**

Chairperson MATC Photography Advisory Council, 1996 - 1999

President Wisconsin Imaging & Photographic Association, 1997 - 1998

Social Interaction Assessor Alverno College, 1998 - 2010

Board Member Education Foundation of Wauwatosa, 2000 - 2002

Faculty Advisor UW-Milwaukee Ad Club, 2002 - present

Committee Business Marketing Association Education Committee, 2004 - 2008

Chairperson Business Marketing Association University Outreach Committee, 2008 - 2009

Member Adworkers of Milwaukee (2008 - present)

Events Chairperson Wisconsin Humane Society, 2007 - 2010, 2012 - present Appreciation Award Alverno College: recognition of 10 years of service (April 2009)

Marketing Committee Milwaukee Animal Rescue Center, 2010 - 2011 Capital Campaigns Co-Chair Milwaukee Animal Rescue Center, 2011 - 2012

Public Relations Volunteer Brew City Bully Club, 2012 - 2015
Public Relations Volunteer New Moon Productions, 2014 to present

Board Member Serve Marketing, 2011 - present

Board Vice-President Milwaukee Community Acupuncture, 2015 - present

References available upon request.