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SUMMARY

PhD in Information Science with 15+ years of teaching, curriculum development, and complex systems analysis. Currently leading AI safety red-teaming and RLHF annotation at Mercor. Expertise in multimodal curation, eLearning module development, and research administration. Seeking roles in AI training, instructional design, eLearning/curriculum development, research administration, or project management (remote, hybrid, or on-site).

SKILLS

AI Training & Annotation • Red Teaming & Model Evaluation • Multimodal Curation • Instructional Design & Curriculum Development • eLearning & Online Course Development • Research Administration • Project Management • Portfolio Management

EXPERIENCE

AI Safety Red Teamer | Mercor | 2026 - Present

• Conduct model output comparisons and RLHF flagging using SuperAnnotate platform.
• Evaluate AI responses for threat intelligence and safety risks using red-teaming methodologies.
• Deliver actionable insights for frontier model development using complex systems and multimodal curation.

DeFi Specialist | Simon DeFi | 2020 – 2025

• Analyzed DeFi protocols and market dynamics with focus on tokenomics and risk assessment.
• Managed complex over-collateralized investments and portfolio optimization.
• Utilized Aave, Uniswap, MetaMask, and Ledger for live trading and monitoring.

Music Technologist | Simon Music Services | 2011 – 2020

• Designed and delivered music technology curriculum for in-person and online students.
• Created multimodal audio-text learning materials and instructional frameworks.
• Simplified complex concepts into clear, actionable teaching content.

Professor | School of Information | University of South Florida, Tampa, FL | 2006 – 2011

• Designed and taught in-person and online graduate courses including Information Architecture, Digital Libraries, and Research Methods.
• Developed eLearning modules, assessments, and supporting materials using Blackboard & Canvas LMS.
• Managed research datasets, student projects, and course administration.

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Information Science | University of North Texas | Denton, TX | 2005
M.S. in Information Technology | University of North Texas | Denton, TX | 2002