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**CORE COMPETENCIES**UX/UI Writing | Content Design & Strategy | Editing | Publishing | Marketing | Tech | Web | Ecommerce  
HTML | CSS | JS

**WORK EXPERIENCE**

**Edward Jones via EPAM Systems** September 2023 – September 2024

**Lead UX Content Strategist**

* Contracted to work with Edward Jones as a member of their Digital Client Experience team and Branch Planning & Performance teams to advise on user flows, UI copy, user messaging, and overall UX.
* Developed content strategy and design for the Online Access mobile app and website. This includes UI to help users interact with their financial accounts, financial advisors, and Edward Jones account information.
* Collaborated with designers and user-experience researchers to create screens for new flows related to managing financial accounts.

**City Storage Systems** Los Angeles, CAJune 2023 – August 2023

**Service Content Writer**

* Developed KB article content for the Otter and CloudKitchens brands.
* Collaborated with customer service managers to create templates for content designed for different tiers of customer service agents.

**NortonLifeLock** Culver City, CAJanuary 2021 – December 2022

**Senior UX Writer**

* Created UI copy for Norton branded products on Windows, macOS, Android, iOS. This work included login flows (with account pickers, SSO, and 2FA), installation/setup flows, partner messaging, on-boarding wizards, tool tips, control panel UIs, alerts, notifications, and portals.
* Worked with user experience researchers and designers to modify flows where errors, unclear messaging, or privacy issues affected users.
* Conferred with stakeholders, legal support, and software engineers to clarify objectives and solutions to UX challenges for all projects.

**Seville Classics** Torrance, CA November 2016 – December 2020

**Copywriter**

* Created marketing copy for all Seville Classics products and brands using comparative analysis of market competition and identifying key advantages before creating the name and product copy.
* Managed all product content across most major ecommerce channels. This included the following vendor portals: Costco.com, Walmart.com, SamsClub.com, Wayfair.com, Amazon.com (Vendor Central and Sellers Central), Target.com, HomeDepot.com, Overstock.com, Staples.com, Quill.com, and Grainger.com.
* Managed all packaging content (assembly instructions, quick start guides, catalogs, shipping marks) for a wide range of housewares and home furnishing.
* Cooperated extensively with product engineers and customer service to make the out-of-box experience feel easier and more thoughtful.
* Managed the creation of marketing and communication content, including catalogs, sales presentations, press releases, VO scripts, advertisements, and email blasts.
* Optimized product pages for search engines (SEO) with tools like keyword planners, Google Analytics, and Amazon Retail Analytics.

**Internet Brands** El Segundo, CA August 2016 – November 2016

**Freelance Copy Editor**

Wrote and edited automotive articles for multiple automotive enthusiast blogs on contract.

**Petrol Advertising** Burbank, CA May 2016 – June 2016

**Contract Copywriter**

Created copy for the Seagate Guardian Series relaunch campaign. This included creating content for brand marketing on their website, ecommerce multimedia content (Amazon A+ pages), catalog content.

**Stage3 Agency** Los Angeles, CA October 2015 – November 2015

**Freelance Copywriter**

Researched and wrote several dealership sales documents for a major automotive manufacturer.

**Walt Disney Parks and Resorts Online** Glendale, CA February 2015 – September 2015

**Contract Copywriter**

* Edited web page copy to WDPRO and AP style standards for the Disney Cruise Lines Port Adventure web pages with a team of copy editors.
* Created inviting, descriptive captions and alt-text for images across Disney Cruise Lines web pages.
* Wrote meta-descriptions for Adventures by Disney web pages.

**iDrive** Calabasas, CA February 2013 – March 2013

**Freelance Copywriter**

Wrote blog posts about digital encryption and cloud-based storage, and XM radio advertising spots.

**LA Music Blog** Los Angeles, CA March 2013 – January 2016

**Music Journalist/Podcaster**

* Co-hosted the LA Music Blogcast.
* Regularly interviewed musicians and industry folk live, both on and off camera.
* Blogged about exciting internet artists and Los Angeles’ live music scene.
* Wrote a wide variety of content, including album reviews, music news, top lists and playlists.

**Internet Brands** El Segundo, CAJanuary 2012 – February 2015

**Automotive Content Editor**

* Created enthusiast content (including reviews, features, blog posts, newsletters, social media, graphics) for the following sites: Corvetteforum.com, HDForums.com, LS1tech.com, Ford-Trucks.com, F150online.com, MBWorld.org, ClubLexus.com, TheMustangSource.com, MustangForums.com, 5series.net, Rennlist.com, Scionlife.com, 6speedonline.com, and ATVConnection.com.
* Created content strategy for rapid creation of technical, accurate automotive articles targeting long-tail keywords. Extracted user-made content (walkthroughs, advice, technical tips, and experiential knowledge) from forums.
* Designed technical content templates (how-tos, diagnostics, brand reviews, upgrade guides, and others) for freelance writers and editors.
* Edited and advised freelance writers and other editors.
* Directed email newsletter marketing. Wrote subject lines, selected content, scheduled newsletters, ran A/B tests, troubleshot bounce issues with Exact Target, incorporated open rate and CTR data into content strategy, and trained email marketing coordinators.
* Wrote, scheduled, and published Facebook and Twitter posts for all blog content.
* Provided support for Photoshop, WordPress, HTML, CSS, Facebook, Instagram and other technologies to team members and freelancers.

**ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Editorial Assistant, ISG Communications  
Localization Copy Editor, Nexon of America

**EDUCATION**

**Bachelor of Arts, (BA)** English Literature and Cultures

**University of California** Merced, Merced CA