Chastity's Resume Revolution

What you are about to read is my document containing my resume and plenty of additional details that a short resume cannot cover. I use this information to create resumes depending on the need. This document gives me a common source which allows me to keep the information up to date.

One of the most valuable things I learned during my Full Sail portfolio classes was the fact that resumes are required to be read by Artificial Intelligence before some of them are passed to an actual employer who may hire a person for the job.

The implications of this are both negative and positive. On the one hand, it makes writing a good resume harder because it must be able to be read by a machine easily but at the same time look good to an actual human. However, the addition of AI into the mix also means that there is theoretically an objective method by which a resume can be judged.

I know that a resume is written for an employer to be able to read quickly because when they are reading hundreds of resumes, it is quite time-consuming to read them if they are too long. For the highest chances of obtaining a job, the applicant must have a resume of one or two pages.

However, I also know that this system can lead to problems. First of all, if a resume is short, then certainly many details are left out. There is no way that a few bullet points on my list of work history could explain everything I did in my over ten years at Hy-Vee. The information is also useless to someone who has neither shopped nor worked at the Hy-Vee grocery store.

Similarly, many companies would expect the applicant to have experience in Microsoft Word, but what they wouldn't know is that LibreOffice Writer could serve the same purposes as Microsoft Word and get the job done. Therefore, Free and Open-Source software experience will get overlooked by many employers who lack the education to know what they are reading on a resume.

I am a Technical Writer. My best genre of writing is when I am writing about how to do something. I might be writing about how to play a game, use some kind of software tool, or the steps involved in publishing a book.

Chastity's Resume

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Summary

Chastity is a writer with a focus on making Chess accessible to low-income people through free and open source software. She uses words, videos, and graphic design to teach Chess and computer software.

Skills

- Writing (Markdown, Pandoc, LibreOffice, Joplin, Simplenote, Microsoft Word)
- Chess Teaching (lichess.org, chess.com, En-Croissant, ChessX)
- Graphic Design (Inkscape and GIMP)
- Video Recording (OBS-Studio, Zoom, StreamYard)
- Audio/Video Editing (Audacity, Kdenlive)
- Book Publishing (Kindle Direct Publishing, Draft2Digital)

Education

Full Sail University

• Associate of Applied Science in Creative Writing (A.A.S.) - July 2025

Experience

Wal-Mart

- Overnight Stock Team Associate September 2023 Present
- Stocked Food and General Merchandise until 5 AM. Moved to other departments as instructed.
- Removed all trash and pallets from floor before customers arrive at store opening and then assist customers in locating and purchasing merchandise. Organized shelves until 7 AM.
- Start work in assigned area at 10 PM. Report work progress to Coaches and Team Leads through the night.

GameStop

- Game Advisor June 2022 February 2024
- Greeted customers and sold requested games and merchandise.
- Answered technical questions based on experience and reading materials employees were given.
- Promoted Gamestop Pro-Membership and explained how it saves money to recurring customers of over \$60 annually.

Hy-Vee

- Floral Clerk and other Departments October 2012 July 2023
- Stocked Health Market and Health and Beauty Department.
- Wrote down Floral Delivery orders both in person and over the phone. Prepared these orders for pickup
 or delivery. Acted as Cashier at Floral Register. Regularly served over 100 customers on each
 Valentine's Day and Mother's Day.
- Sold items to customers, watered plants, and cleaned the shop before closing at 7 PM.

Brillient

- General Clerk June 2019 April 2021
- Kept records and tracked files at the National Records Center containing 17 million files.
- Sorted incoming files to the facility and entered barcode numbers into the computer database managed by the Department of Homeland Security. Maintained Data Entry quota of 400 files per hour.
- Placed files on the shelves and kept locations recorded digitally and on paper. Maintained Quota of 160 files per hour.

Book Publications

- <u>Chastity's Chess Chapters</u> authored a 100 page paperback and e-book to train Chess players.
- Chandler's Honesty authored a series of mental health conversations with a unicorn since 2017.
- <u>The Elevator Debate</u> composed a flash fiction story about a political disagreement between coworkers.

Video Game Publications

- <u>Chaste Tris</u> Published a relaxing clone of Tetris with no gravity to be used as a teaching tool. Released May 31, 2022.
- <u>Chaste Chess</u> Published a small tool for creating animations of Chess games. Released on itch.io May 18, 2025.

Software Skills

I have provided a summary of the top skills or software tools I have experience in.

Markdown

Markdown is a Markup language that is an alternative to HTML. I have used it to save me time when writing books and essays for school assignments. The strength of Markdown is that it does not depend on specific software or operating systems because it is a pure text language.

LibreOffice

I have been using LibreOffice and its older relative, OpenOffice, since my teenage years. The Writer part of the LibreOffice suite is what I have used for all documents where page sizes and numbers mattered. It was the only program I needed to publish my paperback books through Amazon from 2013 to 2024. After that, I started using Markdown in combination with LibreOffice to support quick writing and then formatting adjustments with LibreOffice when necessary.

Microsoft Word

I learned to use Microsoft Word during my time at Full Sail University. I never had much personal interest in it because it would cost money to pay for a subscription, but it is not very different from LibreOffice Writer and can be used for any of the same tasks.

Inkscape

Inkscape is the vector graphics program I use, which is equivalent to Adobe Illustrator in features. I used it to design all the pictures for my Chess book because I needed all the pieces and squares perfectly aligned to a grid. If someone needs a simple image made, I can usually come up with something in Inkscape quickly. I once designed a logo for someone, and they paid me \$200 because they were very pleased with it.

Video Production

I can stream and record videos using OBS Studio. Once I have a video file, I can do some basic editing, such as clipping, joining, and adding text and audio to any part of a video. I use Kdenlive as my video editor because it has the most features of any Open Source video editor I use.

Chess Teaching

I am highly skilled at playing Chess as well as using the previously mentioned skills to write, design pictures, and record videos designed for teaching the rules and my favorite strategies for winning at Chess. More than anything, Chess can be used to measure the intelligence and patience of a person. The number one reason people lose at Chess and in life is because they resign too easily.

Detailed Education and Work History

Unlike most people who attended public or private school for most of their childhood, I was actually homeschooled by my mother ever since we moved to Missouri, and the laws enabled her to homeschool me. I was severely bullied in public elementary school before that and was taught how to read by my mother at home because they did not teach phonics in public school. For my safety and better education, my mother schooled me until I was 18, and then I later got my GED in 2009 at MCC-Longview in Lee's Summit.

In 2023, I made the move to continue my education and go into the entirely new fields of writing and teaching Chess. It was a Chess Journalist by the name of Tarjei J. Svensen who gave me the idea to combine writing with my love of the game of Chess. I especially take notice of news related to LGBTQIA issues and Gender Inequality in the world of competitive Chess.

But as good as I am at playing and teaching Chess, I seem to be even better at using free and Open-Source software to create high-quality PDF and EPUB files, which can be printed or viewed on any digital screen.

My dream is to use the skills I have learned to enable the poor, elderly, and disabled people to write and publish their books.

I also have a special interest in writing about software and how to use it. This kind of Technical Writing can apply to anything I have knowledge and experience with.

These skills can be used for writing tutorials or documentation of how a product or service should be used. Writing technical details could be anything from the very fun (how to play a video game) to the very boring and serious (how to take a medication and list all the possible side effects to watch for).

Being a Technical Writer is general-purpose enough that it can apply to anything. I will prove this point by explaining each of my previous jobs and their possible relevance to my future as a writer. Although my main experience is in grocery stores, I believe my communication skills, both in speaking and writing, have been shaped by experiences with real customers, associates, and managers.

Hy-Vee

My first job was with Hy-Vee. I was a Courtesy Clerk, which is a fancy term for someone who sacks groceries, helps customers load their cars, and brings in the carts.

Over time, I moved into stocking the Health Market and other departments, where I helped many customers find things because I was one of the few people they saw to even ask for help.

But the job I am most proud of was my role as a Floral Clerk. I was trained in watering the plants in the correct amount, writing customer orders over the phone or in person, acting as a cashier at the register, and getting orders ready for delivery.

When taking Floral orders, every detail mattered. We had to know who we were delivering to, their address, phone number, and instructions for what to do if they were not home to answer the door.

We also had to know what was being delivered if it was not hand-picked by the customer from what we already had pre-made. Many times, customers would come in to order flowers for a funeral or a wedding. I would show them pictures from the books we had and then copy them with the copy machine in the store and write down the product numbers on the example arrangements from the book. The manager and designers would sometimes have to establish the final cost at a later time when they were in.

I frequently closed the shop and was the only employee there in the evenings. I wrote down all orders, answered every phone call possible, made plenty of arrangements myself in front of customers, and met their satisfaction when they wanted to give flowers to their friends, mothers, wives, or girlfriends.

I was very good at this position but was forced to leave because Hy-Vee refused to allow me to move up to a full-time position. They said I had no skills or qualifications for anything. My customers and former co-workers would disagree. I could not make a living on 16 hours a week, so I resigned permanently in July of 2023.

Brillient

Brillient is a government contract company that manages various things for federal agencies.

In my role as a General Clerk, I was responsible for sorting, scanning, and shelving hundreds of files per day that came into the National Records Center. It was not my job to know what the files were about. My department's job was to keep track of the files and store them with both digital and paper documentation. Because of my technical skills, I was briefly placed as temporary General Clerk 2 during the COVID pandemic when we had to limit the number of people in the building. I reported to my supervisor by email and phone while she was absent. I learned how to use the database of the Department of Homeland Security to identify where a file was and locate it when it was requested. Managing 17 million files in that facility alone was an incredible task.

Due to the sensitive nature of the documents, a government clearance is required for this position. The government and my supervisor trusted me, but an unfortunate knee injury left me unable to perform my duties, and I was given the choice to either be fired or resign. I then resigned and spent months regaining the ability to walk.

I also worked at Hy-Vee on and off during some of the time I was at this job. After it ended, I went back to working regularly at Hy-Vee in Independence until transferring back to my original Lees Summit # Hy-Vee, where I first started.

Gamestop

Besides working at Hy-Vee, I also started working part-time at GameStop in 2022. I cleaned the shop and helped customers find the video games they were looking for. I enjoyed this job a lot, and it felt more like play than work. I never worked enough hours to make a significant amount of money, but I enjoyed it until I became too busy with Walmart later on.

My interest in video games was primarily why I even applied for GameStop in the first place. The best knowledge I have is about the video games of the 1980s and 1990s. I also started the development of my Tetris game, Chaste Tris, during this time because I was inspired by my former roommate, who still had the original 1985 Gameboy and the Tetris game published for Gameboy in 1989. I understood that some games are so good that they must be protected and passed on. I no longer work for Gamestop, but my life is still just as dedicated to classic video games like Tetris, Solitaire, Pacman, and, of course, board games like Chess, Shogi, and Xiangqi. I love the players, and I love the games.

Walmart

My job with Walmart started in September of 2023. Of the many places I applied to after leaving Hy-Vee, Walmart gave me the job of Overnight Stocker because it was the biggest need at the time. My experience with Hy-Vee served me well, but I found this job much easier than my time as a Hy-Vee Floral clerk because I was part of a team rather than being left alone with all the responsibilities I had in the Floral Department.

Stocking all the products overnight at Walmart is a very physical job. Pulling heavy pallets and lifting heavy boxes in some departments is often more than what my limited strength allows. However, I have done well in this job because I show up more reliably than many others who don't show up to work. We are eternally understaffed because people don't usually stay as long as I have.

Working the overnight shift is something many people find difficult because working all night and then sleeping during the day does not allow for having a family or social life. However, my lack of friends, self-motivated personality, and strategy allow me to get work done even if I have to come in early or stay late to cover for work that others did not show up to complete.

My job at Walmart doesn't involve any writing other than texting my team leads and coaches questions or reports on what I have gotten done so far. However, I have worked this job while I was also attending online school in my Full Sail University Creative Writing program. I consider my job with Walmart to be useful for keeping my body active while my mind is busy with my other responsibilities for my planned writing career.

I often wonder if there are any roles involving writing or technology that I could obtain at Walmart. My current job as an Overnight Stocker is nice, but it does not use my computer skills or the detailed writing that is enhanced by my autistic brain.

But one thing that I know for a fact from my ten-plus years as an author and my Full Sail University classes is that being a writer is the least reliable source of income unless a person is both highly skilled and fortunate enough to be employed by the right company, they cannot make a living on writing alone. Therefore, I intend to stay with Walmart while I write in my free time. The main purpose of my writing is to make a difference in the world and inspire people to think differently.