

Colleen McGinnis

SKILLS:

Interdisciplinary team work

with educators, planners, policy makers, and natural scientists

Information graphic design

translating complex concepts into accessible content

Organizing and supervising events

related to energy education and community engagement

Carbon accounting

coordinating university-wide greenhouse gas inventory

LEED Certification

a LEED Green Associate with experience in BD+C, ID+C, EB O+M

TOOLS:

	beginner	intermediate	expert
Adobe Creative Suite			
Illustrator			
Photoshop			
InDesign			
Dreamweaver			
Drafting and 3D modeling			
AutoCad			
SketchUp			
Energy modeling			
EnergyPlus			
Web design			
HTML			
CSS			
JS			
Mapping			
QGIS			
Microsoft Office			
Word			
PowerPoint			
Excel			

OBJECTIVE:

I aim to acquire a position in which I can work with an interdisciplinary team to develop innovative solutions to complex problems.

EDUCATION:

University of Texas, Austin, TX, August 2011 - May 2014

Master of Science in Sustainable Design

GPA: 3.75/4.0; Dean's Ambassador

Miami University, Oxford, OH, August 2007 - May 2011

Bachelor of Arts, Majors: Architecture, Environmental Science

GPA: 3.61/4.0; Graduated Cum Laude with Departmental Honors

RELATED EXPERIENCES:

Technical Associate, March 2013 - Present

Delta Institute, Chicago, IL

- Designing and administering behavior change programs using an empathetic approach
- Using research and design to transform complex data and systems into accessible visual stories
- Providing technical assistance to projects through preliminary research, data analysis, and design

Sustainable Urban Design Certificate Program, October 2014 - June 2015

Archeworks, Chicago, IL

- Conducted design research, facilitated art-making events, coordinated large-scale art installation

Teaching Assistant, August 2012 - December 2012

School of Architecture, University of Texas, Austin, TX

- Developed and led lab activities pertaining to lighting, electrical, and acoustic design
- Evaluated student work

Public Interest Design Extern, May 2012 - July 2012

School of Architecture, University of Texas, Austin, TX

- Measured the social, economic, and environmental impacts of a public project
- Conducted interviews and administered surveys, analyzed data, developed infographics, and produced two reports (academic & professional)

Climate Action Planning Intern, February 2012 - October 2012

Office of Sustainability, University of Texas, Austin, TX

- Coordinated the university-wide greenhouse gas inventory

LEED Projects Intern, August 2011 - July 2012

US Green Building Council Central Texas - Balcones Chapter, Austin, TX

- Drove the regionalization process to define the new Regional Priority Credits for LEEDv4

Intern, May 2011 - August 2011

Chicago Center for Green Technology, City of Chicago, Chicago, IL

- Assisted with LEED Existing Building Operations + Maintenance Platinum Certification
- Developed graphics for educational displays