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Employment Experience

Interactive Financial Advisors

New Lenox, IL 60451
Financial Advisor
February 2012-
December 2017
(Left to attend school full-time.)

- Served as the de-facto "Tech Guy" in office due to ability to troubleshoot electronic/computer systems.
- Member of Technology Committee (Reviewed and tested new technology).
- Configured, operated, and maintained various technologies (Customer Relationship Management software, teleconferencing software, business processing software, simulation software, and business phone systems.)

Homer Township Fire Protection District

Lockport, IL 60491
Firefighter/Paramedic
May 2006-July 2015
(Left due to medical reasons.)

- Operated and maintained various mechanical and computer systems (Patient Care Reporting(PCR) Software, dispatching and Computer Aided Design(CAD)/Geographic Information System(GIS) software, vehicles, equipment, etc.)
- Prepared and maintained legal documentation for equipment maintenance, Safety Data Sheets (SDS), and medical care.
- Participated in running fire prevention events (Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation(CPR) classes, school visits, community festivals, fire safety house, etc.)

Illinois Army National Guard

Illinois
Combat Medic/Combat Advisor
January 2000-January 2012

- Trained Afghan National Army(ANA) Medics (that had no education, were illiterate, and could not speak any English) in technical procedures such as tourniquets, I.V. administration, spinal immobilization, operating medical devices, etc.
- Led ANA troops on several combat missions without assistance from any other US personnel.
- Trained new and current soldiers in "buddy" medical care/personal hygiene/mental resilience per organization guidelines.
- Established relationships with local community leaders to build trust in Afghan Government.

Education

- College of DuPage/Lewis University 3+1 Combined Bachelors Program 3.7 GPA (2018-Present)
Major: Computer Science
C++ Certificate
- Joliet Junior College 4.0 GPA (2017)
Major: Pre-Engineering
- University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign 3.66 GPA (2017)
Major: Earth, Society, and Environmental Studies

- Southern Illinois University 4.0 GPA (2015)
Major: Fire Service Management

Relevant Coursework/Projects

- NASA
 - NCAS Program – Mini Rover Competition (Stennis Space Center - 2018)
- C++ (Certificate – College of DuPage)
- Java
- XML, HTML, & CSS
- Python
- Window Command Line.
- LINUX
- Networking
- Systems Analysis
- Access 2016 (MOS Certificate)
- Created 2 Blogs and 1 Pinterest Clone (WordPress, Drupal)
- Created 1 Android game (similar to Flappy Bird) (GameSalad)

Personal Attributes

- Team player. I have successfully worked with British, Romanian, Indian, Afghan, French, and Pakistani personnel in long term, overseas missions.
- Problem solver. As a Combat Advisor Afghanistan with minimal training or support, I was able to train and lead people who could not even read or write their own language, let alone speak English.
- Organized. I was put in charge of organizing and running the Fire District's SDS's and vehicle maintenance programs.
- Works well with small teams. I successfully completed a 10-month deployment to Afghanistan with a small team (6-10 people) that I had never met until I arrived in Afghanistan.
- Adaptable. I have worked from poor urban areas to rural farms to upscale suburbs, from mountains in Pakistan to deserts in Kandahar, from Fire Chiefs and Generals to homeless and poor to wealthy. I have adapted to many environments and cultures.

Affiliations & Organizations

- Boy Scouts of America – Assistant Cub Scout Leader/Eagle Scout (1993-Present)
- Army ROTC – University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign (1998-2002)
- Phi Theta Kappa (2017-Present)
- Engineering and Technology Club - College of DuPage (2018-Present)
- SALUTE National Veteran Honor Society(2018 - Present)