

# Matthew Hampel

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## Education

**University of Michigan Residential College**, Class of 2010

Social Theory and Practice concentration, with a focus on interdisciplinary information studies.

## Skills & Interests

Studying the role of digitally-supported civic organization and the effects of information flow on communities. Experienced with digital development and local, especially personal- and neighborhood-level information collection and dissemination.

Proficient in collaborative web technologies, web development (XHTML, XML, CSS, content management systems, web programming), information architecture, Adobe suite applications and design concepts, digital search and research.

## At Work

Fall 2007 –  
Present

**Digital Developer** for the University of Michigan **Residential College**.

Implementing new tools to connect students to alumni and highlight the character of the college. Helped organize communications and events for a reunion of over 400 alumni. Implemented an events, news, and directory system based on PHP, MySQL, and XML. Creating standardized yet expressive program sites, analyzing web statistics, and gardening social networks are ongoing responsibilities.

Fall 2005 –  
Present

**Creator** and **administrator** of **ArborWiki**, an informational website about the city of Ann Arbor that anyone can edit (<http://arborwiki.org>). A purely civic organization, the ArborWiki group and other members of the community have contributed and organized over 3,000 articles in 3 years.

Summer 2008

**Research Assistant, Media Re:Public Project** at the Berkman Center for Internet and Society, Harvard University. Wrote case studies on two new media organizations, analyzing content, structure, and business strategy. Conducted supporting research and interviews. Published December 2008.

Fall 2007 –  
Spring 2008

**Research Assistant** at the University of Michigan **School of Social Work**. Assisted development of a County-level wiki application for social service staff. Studied information bottlenecks and institutional culture through interviews and direct participation to advise on wiki platform implementation.

2006 – 2007

**Advisor** in various capacities for local service organizations Washtenaw Area Teens for Tomorrow, The Business Side of Youth, and Ypsilanti Youth Empowered to Act. Projects include digital strategy, content management implementation, design, and code work.

September 2005 –  
May 2007

**Technohost, Reference Desk Clerk** at the **Ann Arbor District Library**. The public face of the public library. Responsible for information search and research, computer lab administration, patron training, and general sanity.