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## About Me

I'm a Content Designer and UX Writer and have been in the Tech Industry since the late 1990s, starting in support and moving to network system administration. However, for the past two decades, I've been taking the guesswork out of complex technical content and helping people navigate, use and troubleshoot products.

## Education

02/2022 - Present

**CareerFoundry**

Full Stack Web Development

10/2010 – 05/2012

**Kaplan University**

BS in Health Science

02/1999 – 04/2001

**DeVry University - Denver**

AS Computer Systems

## Work Experience

05/2022 – 11/2022

**Content Designer, Contractor**

**Expedia Group/Braintrust**

Performed a content analysis and inventory of the design system training material and documentation. Developed the initial outline for the onboarding and learning material for the design system.

05/2020 – 10/2021

**Content Developer, Contractor**

**Microsoft/Kforce**

Worked collaboratively with the Azure Dedicated engineering and UX Research teams to develop scenario and goal-based content. Wrote and edited UX microcopy and UI strings. Conducted audits of existing content to identify areas for improvement. Assisted with the copywriting of the Azure VMware Solution learning modules.

07/2019 – 06/2021

**Freelance, PSCM Designs LLC**

- **Extreme Networks (2020 – 2021)** Reviewed and edited network hardware content for the FIPS program.
- **ZPE Systems (2019-2020)** Wrote a marketing campaign eBook. Wrote the learning material and voiceover scripts, provided the voiceover, and produced how-to videos.
- **Wax.io (2019)** Contributed to blockchain blog articles.

03/2019 – 06/2019

**Technical Writer II**

**LivePerson**

Wrote SDK and API guides for mobile messaging app.

01/2018 – 01/2019

**Technical Writer II**

**Microsoft**

Worked collaboratively with the Microsoft Edge and Windows networking core teams. Wrote and edited UX microcopy and UI strings. Conducted content audits to identify areas for potential improvement. Used qualitative and quantitative data to make data-driven decisions.

07/2017 – 12/2017

**Technical Writer, Contractor**

**Oculus/Facebook**

Developed internal cross-functional workflows and process documentation for a virtual reality R&D environment.



## Skills

Technical Writing

Content Strategy/Design

UX/UI Writing

Information Architecture

Instructional Design

Markdown

Git/GitHub

Agile/Jira/Azure DevOps

JavaScript/Node.js

HTML/CSS

DITA/XML

Figma/Miro

Postman/Swagger

## Work Experience (conf'd)

08/2016 – 05/2017

### Software Technical Writer

GE Healthcare

Worked collaboratively with customers and support to update the outdated installation and upgrade guides. The rework resulted in more successful upgrades and reduced customer support calls.

09/2015 – 07/2016

### Technical Writer II

Amazon

Wrote internal feature announcements and task-oriented procedure guides using MadCap Flare for warehouse employees.

03/2015 – 09/2015

### Technical Writer, Contractor

Charter Communications

Worked collaboratively with video-on-demand and networking engineers to write standard procedures. Wrote Python scripts for system administration tasks.

01/2014 – 10/2014

### Technical Writer

SolidFire, a NetApp company

Wrote release notes, configuration and troubleshooting guides, white papers, and solution briefs for the cloud storage solution. Also, wrote and edited UX microcopy and UI strings.

12/2012 – 12/2013

### Technical Writer, Contractor

Sybase/SAP

Wrote installation, configuration, and API guides for a mobile money app.

07/2012 – 01/2013

### Technical Writer Consultant

Wrote design specifications and instructor-led training guides for enterprise planning and budgeting software. Also, wrote and edited UX microcopy and UI strings.

## Achievements

- Built an online help system using the Docusaurus docs-as-code framework for a tech security startup.
- Wrote shell scripts to automate OpenAPI content publishing for Extreme Networks.