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San Francisco, California

Professional Experience

Project Manager and Data Analyst

September 2018 - Present

Water Systems Optimization, San Francisco, CA

- Consult water utilities in assessing, tracking, and reducing water losses
- Produce technical reports describing patterns, trends, and anomalies in datasets related to water supply and consumption
- Extract, transform, and analyze data from various sources such as enterprise databases, mobile data collection systems, and paper records
- Leverage modern scripting languages such as R, JavaScript, and Python

Senior Applications Designer

August 2014 - September 2018

Chesapeake Conservancy, Annapolis, MD

- Conducted geospatial analysis related to natural resources conservation, watershed management, species biodiversity and habitat restoration
- Designed and developed web mapping applications for visualization, asset management, and reporting purposes (typically via cloud environment)
- Trained government, NGOs, and academia on geospatial technology, mobile data collection, database design, and scientific decision support tools

English Language Teacher

April 2012 - March 2013

CEC Language School, Thailand

GIS Watershed Research Intern

January - November 2011

New York City Department of Environmental Protection, USA

Trail Worker

September 2009 - September 2010

Olympic National Park, USA

Education

Duke University, Durham, North Carolina

August 2013 - May 2015

- Master of Environmental Management (MEM)
- Coastal Studies concentration with coursework in: Biological Oceanography; Marine Invertebrate Zoology; Conservation Biology; Ecological Statistics with R; Community Env. Management; Shoreline Processes; Climate Adaptation

Miami University, Oxford, Ohio

August 2005 - May 2009

- Bachelor of Arts (BA), Geography
- GIScience concentration with coursework in: Map Interpretation; Techniques in Remote Sensing; GIS for Landscape Ecology; Database Management; Statistics

Technical Skills

Geospatial software

- ESRI 9.x and 10.x products: ArcGIS for Desktop, Server, Online, Pro
- Open source: QGIS, Whitebox GAT, SAGA
- Web mapping: ArcGIS JavaScript API, Mapbox, Carto, GeoServer

Programming languages

- General purpose: Python (especially for geospatial processing), Bash scripting
- Web development: HTML/CSS/JavaScript, React, Redux, WordPress
- Statistical packages: R, Pandas

Other

- Databases: PostgreSQL/PostGIS, MySQL, SQL, MongoDB
- Design: Adobe Photoshop, InDesign, XD, Tableau, iorad, Loom
- Management and Processing: GitHub, Microsoft Office, Notion, Asana, Slack

Awards and Recognition

Innovative Product of the Year, "Restoration Reports" (Nominated) <i>Public Lands Alliance Partnership Awards</i>	2018
See, Find, and Share Award (as part of Conservation Innovation Center) <i>ESRI International User Conference</i>	2016
Special Achievement in GIS (as part of Conservation Innovation Center) <i>ESRI International User Conference</i>	2015
Henry H. Kendall Memorial Scholarship <i>Miami University</i>	2008

Selected Speaking Engagements

National Conference on Ecosystem Restoration <i>"Collaborative Planning for Apalachicola Restoration in High Resolution"</i>	2018
Society of Conservation GIS Annual Conference <i>"Innovative Data and Tools for Chesapeake Bay Restoration"</i>	2017
Chesapeake Bay Program Local Government Advisory Committee <i>"Data, Maps, and Tools for Planning"</i>	2017
Large Landscape Conservation Breakfast (Land Trust Rally) <i>"Web-based Mapping Tools for Large Landscape Conservation"</i>	2016
Maryland Municipal League Summer Conference <i>"Planning Tools for Environmentally Aware Municipalities"</i>	2015

Work Samples

Nature's Network Prioritization Tool - (https://tinyurl.com/yahsjqza) Decision support tool used to create prioritization maps for endangered species in the northeast United States. Powered by statistical model written in the Pandas library.
Restoration Reports - (https://restorationreports.com) Outreach tool that produces PDF reports for assessing restoration and rehabilitation opportunities related to agriculture, ecosystem services, and species habitat
South River Data Viewer - (https://southriverdata.net) Interactive web-mapping application for visualizing water quality parameters of a local watershed monitoring group.