

Résumé of
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OBJECTIVE

To engage in challenging ventures where my skills in writing, communicating, and technology play important roles, and where I can make a difference in the lives of others.

KEY STRENGTHS

Writing, research, planning, communicating, troubleshooting, and finding solutions. I enjoy taking on challenging projects. I am a fast learner and adapt quickly.

EXPERIENCE

Bangor Daily News, Bangor, Maine

Special Sections Writer (March 2005-April 2014)

I began as a freelancer but was hired full-time in November 2005. I was the section editor for over 130 publications, contributed to dozens of others, wrote for the BDN's magazines, and since 2011 wrote for The Weekly. Duties include interviewing and photography; writing news, features, and advertorial; copy editing; paginating; and more. Supervisor: Brian Swartz, editor.

The Cud, Australia

Columnist (2010-present)

I write a monthly short-fiction column at www.TheCud.com. Publisher: Evan Kanarakis.

Bangor Adult Education, Bangor, Maine

Creative Writing instructor (2007-2014)

My first semester was at United Technologies Center before moving to Bangor Adult Education. Until this year, I taught two creative-writing courses about short fiction: one for beginners and casual writers, another for experienced and serious writers. I resigned this position in early 2014. Supervisor: Greg Leavitt, program director.

Computer Consultant, Bangor area, Maine

Self-employed (1990-present)

I did all types of computer work: hardware, software, consulting, networking, Web design, page layouts, and more. I opened a shop in 1996 and did this full time until 2001, working with local and national clients. I mostly left this line of work when I went to the Bangor Daily News.

Staples in Bangor, Maine

Computer Sales/Technical Support (1995-1998)

While building my business, I worked in both Bangor retail stores. I assumed the role of expert technical person for both stores. I left to pursue my business full time. None of the supervisors from my tenure remain there today.

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Electra Byte, Bangor

Computer Sales/Assembly/Maintenance (1990-1991)

I sold and assembled personal computers, mostly for corporate accounts. I left when this business closed. Supervisor: Dale Carlow, owner.

Various retail positions (1988-1995)

1993-1995: Home Quarters, picking, coordinating, and driving deliveries.

1992: Waterrest Waterbeds in Bangor as showroom salesman and then acting store manager before going to Electra Byte.

1988: Zayre in Bangor as cashier, clerk, and management trainee.

EDUCATION

Hampden Academy - Hampden, Maine (graduated 1987)

College preparatory courses with a focus on English, writing, and computer science.

United Technologies Center - Bangor, Maine (1985-1987)

Completed 900-hour course in Computer Information Services. Instructor: Lloyd Egers.

VOLUNTEER WORK

City of Brewer, Maine: 2011-2014, Conservation Commission; 2011-present, Board of Appeals.

Bangor Area Homeless Shelter: Bangor, Maine, 1992-1995. Board of directors.

United States Air Force 3519th Recruiting Squadron: Bangor, Maine, 1990-1991.

Volunteered at recruiting office 8-30 hours per week. Performed all office functions, aided in the recruitment process, and was entrusted with keys to this government office.

PERSONAL INTERESTS

Creative writing: I am fiction writer with 50+ short stories that have appeared in print magazines and anthologies in the U.S., UK, and Canada. I also write a monthly short-fiction column on the Web site The Cud, and I'm an independent publisher of short-fiction anthologies and other books.

Role-playing games: An interest in role-playing games since 1983 has led to my design of a universal system that will soon publish.

Game Design: I design card games, dice games, board games, and chess variants.