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Education

1996-1998 **Northwestern University:** Bachelor of Science (Journalism)
1993-1995 **Clark Honors College, University of Oregon**

Recent Employment

- 2017- **Associate director, digital communications, Northwestern University Office of Alumni Relations and Development**
- Strategize content for websites, email newsletters, and other digital communications
 - Manage front-end design and user experience and guide technical best practices
- Accomplishments:**
- Modernized analytics, integrated transactions with Web metrics, and introduced A/B testing
 - Improved performance and workflow by establishing CDN using AWS S3 and Cloudfront
 - Winner, CASE silver, best annual report (2018)
- 2014-2017 **Managing editor, digital, and senior developer, Chicago magazine**
- Managed four-person digital editorial team, plus dozens of freelancers and vendors
 - Continued front- and back-end design and development
- Accomplishments:**
- Winner, City and Regional Magazine Association award for online excellence (2015, 2017)
 - Winner, Lisagor Award, best use of digital technology (2016)
 - Integrated Facebook Instant Article and Google AMP with minimal impact on workflow
 - "A+" — *Edward Tufte*
- 2012-2014 **Digital designer and developer, Chicago magazine**
- Responsible for all front-end and much back-end development of Web site
 - Managed production of online newsletters, using MailChimp and Silverpop
 - Created tools to help colleagues do their jobs better and faster
- Accomplishments:**
- Co-led and then implemented comprehensive Web redesign
 - Instituted latest best practices, including responsive design, lazy loads and version control
 - Radically improved collection and analysis of traffic analytics
 - Winner, City and Regional Magazine Association award for online excellence (2014)
- 2008-2012 **Art director, Chicago Tribune**
- Designed and managed production of daily entertainment and culture sections
 - Society of News Design award of excellence (2010)
- 2000-2008 **Assistant news editor, Chicago Tribune**
1998-2000 **Copy editor and designer, San Jose Mercury News**
- Designed and edited for all sections of two of the country's largest daily newspapers
 - Coordinated dozens of editors, photo editors and graphic artists in order to create pages that were energetic, clear and informative, while enforcing daily deadlines

Other Experience

- 2010- Creator, designer and Web developer, **Rouleur Derby** (www.rouleurderby.com)
A fantasy-cycling Web application written in Django and React with hundreds of active users
- 2014 Completed 11-week **Starter League** class in user experience
- 2003-2006 Adjunct lecturer (design/copy editing), **Northwestern University Medill School of Journalism**
- Fluent in: JavaScript, HTML, CSS, jQuery, React, Python, Photoshop, InDesign, Google Analytics, GTM
Proficient in: Git, AWS, Node, D3JS, Django, Illustrator, WordPress, Expression Engine, PHP, MySQL,
Google Ad Manager, Mailchimp API, Twitter API, Google Maps API, Slack API
Passion for: Competitive cycling (Cat 2 road and cyclocross, formerly licensed as Level 2 USA Cycling coach)
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