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Experience

Department Chair, Graphic Design/Interactive Media & VFX/Animation
02/2014 – Present
Flashpoint Chicago, Chicago, IL
After starting out as an adjunct, I was hired on as Lead Design Faculty in 2015 and was promoted to the role of Department Chair in 2019. I wrote both the Associate's and Bachelor's curriculum — an "Inclusive" Project-Based Learning curriculum initiative that incorporates both traditional and emerging technologies into the core design courses. As Department Chair, I am responsible for course scheduling, on-boarding and training new adjuncts, and supervising all faculty & adjuncts in the GDIM & VFX/Animation Departments *(currently a team of 15 between Chicago and LA campuses)*, preparing the department budgets, curriculum assessments, and serving as the mentor and academic advisor for the entire GDIM student population. I was also responsible for the development & implementation of the MPD *(Multi Platform Delivery)* initiative, where courses are taught synchronously to students from our Chicago, LA, and online campuses, in an effort to deliver a more cohesive learning experience for all students in the programs regardless of geographic location. I also serve on the Retention, Admissions, & Student Success Committees.

Program Director, Graphic Design
07/2008 – 08/2013
Fox College, Bedford Park, IL
I was hired by Fox College to develop a brand new accelerated Graphic Design Associate's Degree Program, and was responsible for writing the syllabi and curriculum for almost 20 classes. I served as the students' lead instructor, taught all core professional courses, served as externship coordinator, and mentored portfolio development. I also served as a member of the Professional Education and Institutional Effectiveness Planning Committees, and was involved in helping Fox College become re-accredited through the Higher Learning Commission.

Lead Designer/Founder
10/2000 – Present
diversedesign, inc., Chicago, IL
I led the creative team full-time, providing design and creative consulting services for clients in industries such as transportation, health care, legal, environmental, public relations, media relations, food and education. I was responsible for client logo development and branding, design and development of marketing and media materials such as brochures, direct mail, posters, annual reports, P.O.S. and web sites. In addition to the creative aspect of the job, I was also responsible for all client/vendor contact, project management, print brokering & talent supervision.

AIGA Mentor
For several years, I have been volunteering with the AIGA to act as a mentor to other designers. My focus has been on helping other professionals, and recent grads, develop their portfolios *(both print and digital)* and presentation skills.

Education

05/2016
Harrington College of Design
Chicago, IL
MFA in Communication Design

05/1998
University of Illinois at Chicago
Chicago, IL
Bachelor's Degree in Graphic Design
Bachelor's Degree in Industrial Design

Honors/Awards

Nominated for the VP of Education position, Chicago Chapter of the AIGA
Alpha Beta Kappa National Honor Society
Graduated with High Honors from Harrington College of Design
Awarded Harrington Scholarship for Academic Excellence

Certifications

Adobe Certified Instructor
Mac University
Web Development Certification
Multimedia Certification

Groups/Organizations

AIGA
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Skills

Graphic Design
Web Design
Branding
Packaging Design
Art/Creative Direction
Illustration
Photo Retouching
Photography
Print Brokering
Production
Project Management
Typography
Color Theory
Teaching

Mentoring
Curriculum Development

Illustrator
Photoshop
Acrobat
InDesign
HTML
CSS
w3.css
After Effects
Lightroom