

AMANDA KERN

The road less travelled

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EDUCATION

Valencia Community College
Orlando, Florida
Associate in Science, Spring 2004
Graphics Technology
Multimedia & Graphic Design
Associate in Arts, Spring 2004
General Studies
University Of Central Florida
Orlando, Florida
Bachelor of Science, Fall 2008
Digital Media, Internet & Interactive

ACCOMPLISHMENTS & AWARDS

Student Silver ADDY® and
Valencia Community College
Student Juried Award
for web site (www.A-Kern.com)
Maintained a 3.98 GPA
at Valencia Community College
National Dean's List,
Who's Who Among Students
in Junior Colleges
(2002 - 2003)
Induction into Phi Theta Kappa,
International Honor Society
(Spring 2001)
Recipient of Valencia Alumni Association
Endowed Scholarship
(Spring 2003, Fall 2003)
Recipient of Valencia American
Association for Women in Community
Colleges Scholarship
(Fall 2003)
Awarded Army Commendation Medal for
meritorious service as a Military Police
and Team Leader while assigned to
Fort Drum, New York
(November 1998)
Awarded Army Commendation
Medal for meritorious service during
deployment with Multinational Forces
& Observers in Sinai, Egypt
(July 1997)
Awarded Army Good Conduct Medal for
exemplary performance as a member
of the U.S. Army
(November 1998)

KNOWLEDGE & SKILLS

Over four years professional experience in graphic and interactive design and development.

Operating Systems:

Macintosh, Windows

Software:

Photoshop CS2, Illustrator CS2, QuarkXpress 7, Flash 8, Dreamweaver 8,
Final Cut Pro, After Effects, BBEEdit, Microsoft Office, Suitcase Fusion

Programming Languages:

(X)HTML, CSS, Actionscript, Javascript

General Knowledge & Skills:

Secretarial, supervisory and instruction experience, ability to multitask,
writing and proofreading, excellent written and verbal communication
skills, type 70+ words per minute.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Valencia Community College, Professor (August 2004 - Present)

Instruct students in the use and fundamentals of industry standard graphics software and design. Instrumental in development of timed competency exam which measures a students ability to design and utilize necessary software to design and develop a web site. Developed over 30 lessons, exercises, and tutorials for classroom and webCT use. Designed, developed, and responsible for maintaining Graphics Technology Program web site. Responsible for implementation of blog to support and create awareness with graphics program students and faculty as well as the design community. Posted over 100 articles, updates, or information of interest on the graphics blog. Took initiative to begin a showcase of student work using Flickr which has gained exposure worldwide. Influential in planning and managing events with reputable designers, David Carson, Art Chantry, and Cameron Moll. Co-Authored article, "The Truth About what the Industry Expects From Graduates", to appear in the National Publication, Create Magazine.

Candace Crowe Design, Art Director / Project Manager (January 2005 - Present)

Responsible for art direction of all print, web, and interactive projects. Interacted and communicated with clients to meet project objectives and deadlines. Management of project proposals and approvals.

Candace Crowe Design, Flash Programmer / Designer (October 2003 - January 2005)

Designed and developed Flash based applications, web sites, and print collateral for plastic surgeons.

Personnel One, Executive Assistant (July 2001 - October 2001)

Provided direct support to Vice President of IT Department by performing necessary administrative tasks.

United States Army, Military Police & MP Investigator (October 1995 - May 2001)

Investigated criminal offenses, interviewed suspects, victims and witnesses relating to criminal cases. Instrumental in creation of a crime tracking database. Trained newly assigned investigators according to post policies and regulations.

AFFILIATIONS

American Institute of Graphics Arts (Sept 2003 - Present)

National Association of Photoshop Professionals (Sept 2004 - Present)