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EDUCATION:

University of Texas, Austin (*in progress*)
Doctoral student, Community College Leadership Program

University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana
MLIS, Library and Information Science

Washington University, St. Louis, MO
BA, English Literature

OTHER EDUCATION:

Illinois Online Network, University of Illinois
Master Online Teacher Certificate

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE:

Assistant Dean of Academic Affairs, Morton College, Cicero, IL (7/05 to 04/07)

- *Coordinated pedagogical, technical and administrative development of hybrid and online classes across disciplines, including sciences, letters, careers, and GED/adult education.*
- *Grant proposal writing and grant management.*
- *Development and execution of special projects in coordination with the Office of the President.*
- *Internal consultant for marketing, including materials design and execution of contracts.*
- *Leadership roles on several campus executive/steering committees, including HLC Accreditation, Strategic Planning, and Teaching and Learning with Technology.*
- *Research team captain for development of College museum on local history.*
- *Facilitator and organizer of over \$1 million in campus renovation efforts.*

Library Administrator, Morton College Library, Cicero, IL (4/04 to 7/05)

- *Administrator for all internal functions of the Library.*
- *Leadership and supervisory role to reference, technical services, circulation, and computer lab staff and student assistants.*
- *Budget development and execution.*
- *Collection development.*
- *Developer/instructor of Library programming for the College community.*
- *Leadership role during \$1.5 million Library renovation.*
- *Coordinated Library reporting and activities pertinent to HLC Accreditation visit.*
- *Ongoing evaluation of Library services.*
- *Coordinated internal and external marketing efforts.*
- *Represented Library at partner institutions and professional organizations.*

Coordinator of Public Services, Morton College Library, Cicero, IL (1/02 to 4/04)

- *Leadership role for circulation and reference departments.*
- *Performed research for College administration, faculty, staff and patrons.*
- *Collection development.*
- *Wrote and edited copy for library and college publications.*
- *Developed multimedia library instruction materials.*
- *Coordinated goal and budget planning needs for work unit.*
- *Hired and trained new employees.*

Circulation Assistant, University City Public Library, University City, MO, 10/99-8/00

- *Patron point of contact for circulation needs and overflow reference requests.*

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Librarian, Morton College – Spring 2002 – Fall 2005

- *Information Literacy for Arts, Sciences, and Career programs*

Adjunct Faculty, Office Management Technology, Morton College – Fall 2006

- *“Keyboarding 1”*

Instructor, Certified Public Library Administrator Program – Spring 2007

- *“Grant Writing and Fundraising”, organized with the American Library Association and hosted by the Graduate School of Library and Information Science, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign*

RESEARCH INTERESTS:

Dual Education in Online Learning

Globalization and Marketing

Technology and Work

PRESENTATIONS:

Making Morton the Community's College, at the Annual Conference of the Illinois Council of Community College Administrators, 11/2005

Enable Learning with Environmental Print, at the League for Innovation Innovations Conference, 3/2006

Dinero Fácil (Grant Writing for Hispanic Serving Institutions), at NISOD, 5/2006.

Emerging Technologies for Student Services, at the Annual Conference of the Illinois Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers, 10/2006

Trends in Learning, Your Web-Based Utility Belt, and the College Personality: Environmental Print and Web2.0, at the Innovative Educators Fall Conference, 11/2006.

Technology Mentor Programs – From Initiation to Institutionalization, at the Annual Conference of the National Community Colleges Humanities Association, 11/2006.

Guaranteeing the Course Schedule, at the Annual Conference of the Illinois Council of Community College Administrators, 11/2006

Technology Mentor Programs – From Initiation to Institutionalization, at the Annual Conference of the Illinois Council of Community College Administrators, 11/2006

Web2.0 for Student Success: Student Engagement through Next-Generation Web Tools, Webinar for InnovativeEducators.org, upcoming, 1/2007

PUBLICATIONS:

Revitalizing the Movement: Morton's Momentum. The League for Innovation: Leadership Abstracts. Volume 19, Number 7, July 2006 (with Brent Knight, Jonathan Carroll and Stephanie Hawley).

GRANTS/AWARDS:

For Morton College:

Chicago Community Trust, Health Program. \$100,000. Principal author. Awarded 10/2006

Illinois State Library, LSTA Grant Program. Total awards of approximately \$25,000. Principal author. Awarded 2002-2005.

Illinois Community College Board. Management of \$30,000 in annual awards. 2005-2006.

PROFESSIONAL COMMITTEES:

For Morton College:

Teaching and Learning with Technology Executive Committee
Strategic Planning Executive Committee
Accreditation Committee – NCA Higher Learning Commission
Hiring Committee – Dean of Arts and Sciences
Hiring Committee – Faculty, Physical Therapy
Hiring Committee – Director of Institutional Research and Planning

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

American Library Association, 2002-present
Illinois Library Association, 2002-present
NILRC – Network of Illinois Learning Resources in Community Colleges (institutional representative, 2002-2004)
American Association of Community Colleges
Illinois Council of Community College Administrators
National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

Club Advisor, Film Club (Morton College), 2003-2007
Club Advisor, Anime Gamers Union (Morton College), 2003-2007
National Eagle Scout Association

REFERENCES:

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