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PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

Pioneering leader and innovative change agent with analytical acumen leverages 12 years of diversified and progressive experience in research and data and GIS analysis. Brings competitive edge and unique value due to advanced subject matter expertise in database retrieval, data organization, and data visualization. Thrives in a fast-paced, high-stakes, and deadline-driven environment with cross-functional team collaboration. Interested in increased learning opportunities and opportunities for additional leadership responsibility.

Highlighted Skills & Key Profile Offerings

- ▶ Exercises consultative approach to meet client requirements with a customized product enabling insights into national and international policy inquiries.
- ▶ Provides life-cycle geospatial information analysis, including identifying, accessing, querying, and reporting information from a wide range of databases and data sources.
- ▶ Excels in managing geospatial databases and in developing and maintaining geospatial data collection applications, and in combining disparate data sets to create new insights.
- ▶ Provides technical assistance and administrative support for the data management aspects of operations and application development.

PROFESSIONAL OVERVIEW

CONGRESSIONAL RESEARCH SERVICE, *Washington, DC*

2004 – Present

Senior Research Librarian / Information Research Specialist; Foreign Affairs, Defense, and Trade Division

- ▶ Serves as a GIS pioneer, tailor of bespoke research solutions, client base developer, innovative change agent, and public speaker. Entrusted with confidential data with a specialization in Asia-focused affairs.
- ▶ Produces on-demand, individualized products to fulfill foreign affairs policy inquiries of 535 Members of Congress, Congressional Committees, Delegates to Congress, and corresponding staff.
- ▶ Manifests solutions including database article searches and developing on-demand maps and/or GIS data analysis with a rapid turnaround and accuracy.
- ▶ Generates a client base of CRS analysts requiring GIS products in a diversity of reports. Performs background research on data and collaborates with clients to ensure data is implemented correctly. Assists client with portraying underlying stories client is endeavoring to display.

Leadership

- ▶ Steers a collaborative effort to develop a GIS program within the House library with outreach, resourcefulness, and coordination acumen. Supports mission-critical initiative to promote GIS services.
- ▶ Develops and deploys a new geospatial hosting environment. Supports the joint project between the CRS, the Library of Congress, and Esri.
- ▶ Accomplished more than 10% year-over-year growth of GIS requests from Congress and CRS analysts for 4 consecutive years.
- ▶ Innovated four WordPress-based websites for three pre-conferences hosted by the Library of Congress in August of 2016. Promoted the conferences via social media methodologies and campaigns.

Innovation

- ▶ Spearheaded a division-wide intranet and managed the full-phase project lifecycle. Resolved deficiencies and eliminated errors from other intranet building endeavors. Demonstrated a high level of proficiency in SharePoint throughout the development process.
- ▶ Hand-picked to serve as 1 of 2 information research specialists in a re-launch of GIS services within CRS. Positioned the GIS program for growth including the addition of 2 full-time GIS analysts.
- ▶ Contributed to the CRS/GIS team's initiative of producing a monthly GIS training for CRS personnel to catalyze enhanced proficiencies and workforce optimization.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT, *Washington, DC*

2005 – 2006

US Trade Representative

- ▶ Achieved a Presidential Management Fellow Rotation as part of a post-graduate initiative.
- ▶ Served as an early KORUS negotiator within the Korea/Japan desk of the US Trade Representative in the Executive Office of the President.
- ▶ Composed early language on the importation of South Korean soju throughout formative KORUS free trade agreement negotiations.

EDUCATION

Masters in Information Studies | UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN, 2004, *Summa Cum Laude*

Bachelors in English | EMORY UNIVERSITY, 1999, *Magna Cum Laude*

PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

Presentation/Forum:

GIS and Public Policy. Esri Federal Users Conference, Washington, DC, 2016 & Esri Meetup for Congressional Staffers, 2016.

Paper and Presentation: ***Developing sustainable Geographic Information System (GIS) services for parliamentary clients***. International Federation of Library Associations, Singapore, 2013.

INDUSTRY-RELATED LEADERSHIP & PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

International Federation of Library Associations:

- ▶ Served as the chair of the main panel for Library and Research Services for Parliaments and the International Federation of Library Associations in Cape Town, South Africa of 2015.
- ▶ Authored and delivered a compelling and informative presentation on development of sustainable GIS services for parliamentary clients presented in Singapore.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Geographic Information Systems (GIS) | WordPress | SharePoint | Python (Basic) | Data Query Skills
MS Office Suite