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Personal Statement

I have over 25 years of experience working in the GIS industry, and am currently the Manager of GIS Services at the Center for Geographic Analysis, Harvard University. Our mission at the Center for Geographic Analysis at Harvard University is “to support research and education that relies on geographic information.” In performing this work, the bulk of services I provide are in the form of teaching GIS and mapping, creation of training materials and tutorials, consultation, map creation (in hard copy, digital, and web form), geographic analysis and data processing. Many maps and analytical results I’ve created have been published in books, academic journals, and on the web. I teach the courses “Introduction to GIS” through the Harvard University Extension School, and “Computer Cartography” through Salem State University. My focus is on performing research and cartography that utilizes geographic information, and educating others to use GIS and “think geographically”.

Education

1995 Willamette University, Salem, Oregon. BS, Environmental Science (major) Geography, Geology (minors)
2002 University of Denver, Denver, Colorado. MA, Geography.

Positions and Employment

1995	GIS Technician, Polk County GIS, Dallas, Oregon
1995-1996	GIS Analyst, Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, New Mexico
1996-1998	Graduate Teaching Assistant, University of Denver, Denver, Colorado
1997-1999	GIS Specialist, United States Geological Survey, Denver, Colorado
1998-1999	GIS Research Assistant, Environmental Systems Research Institute (ESRI), Boulder, Colorado
1999-2002	GIS Developer, City and County of Denver, Colorado, Wastewater Management Division
2002-2007	GIS Photogrammetry Administrator, City and County of Denver, Colorado, Wastewater Management Division
2007-2015	Senior GIS Specialist, Center for Geographic Analysis, Harvard University, Cambridge Massachusetts
2007 – 2018	Part time GIS Consultant with Schofield Brothers of New England Civil Engineering/Surveying
2011-present	Adjunct faculty, Harvard University Extension School
2013-present	Adjunct faculty, Salem State (MA) University
2015-present	Manager of GIS Services, Center for Geographic Analysis, Harvard University, Cambridge Massachusetts

Professional Memberships

2007	Geospatial Information & Technology Association
2010, 2015, 2017, 2021	American Association of Geographers
2014, 2016	North American Cartographic Information Society

Honors

1998	STAR Award: United States Geological Survey
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2010	Excellence in Teaching, Certificate of Distinction for Teaching Undergraduates, Harvard University
2012	FAS Dean’s Distinction Award, Harvard University
2013	FAS Dean’s Distinction Award, Harvard University
2016	FAS Dean’s Distinction Award, Harvard University
2018	Distinguished Teaching Performance, Harvard University Extension School
2018	Bok Center Certificate of Distinction for Teaching Fellows

Technical Skills

ArcGIS Pro, ArcGIS Desktop, ArcGIS Online, QGIS, R, PostGIS, Adobe Illustrator, Photoshop, Windows and Linux OS.

Publications (in chronological order)

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12. **Blossom, Jeffrey, Finkelstein, Julia L., Guan, Wendy, Burns, Bonnie (2011)** *Applying GIS Methods to Public Health Research at Harvard University*. in Journal of Map & Geography Libraries, September, 2011.
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