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SKILLS

eLearning
Instructional Design
Articulate Storyline 2
Camtasia
SharePoint
Gamification
Micro-Learning
Graphic Design
Mentoring

Needs Assessment
Adult Learning Theory
Gagné's Nine Events
Bloom's Taxonomy
Levels of Evaluation
LMS Administration
Curriculum Development
Project Management
Relationship Building

EDUCATION

Master of Arts

Training and Development, Emphasis: eLearning Roosevelt University, Schaumburg, IL

Bachelor of Science

Operations Management & Information Systems Minor: Spanish Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL

Graduate Certificates

eLearning Instructional Design Training and Development Roosevelt University, Schaumburg, IL

PROFESSIONAL GROUPS

ATDChi (Association for Talent Development, Chicagoland Chapter)

Award Received:

• Volunteer of the Year, 2014
Outstanding social media work for the chapter

Positions Held:

- Director of Social Media, 2014 2015
- Social Media Committee Member, 2013
- Volunteers Committee Member, 2012
- Director of Volunteers, 2011

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Learning Consultant

Sears Holdings Corporation, Automotive – Hoffman Estates, IL

Responsibilities:

- Design and develop eLearning courses and games for Sears Auto Center employees at over 500 stores using Storyline 2 and Camtasia.
- Maintain the team's learning management system for over 5000 employees.
- Analyze return on investment for pilot training programs using Domo cards.

Accomplishments:

- Built micro-learning courses focused on improving employee performance.
- Developed scenario-based eLearning courses and interactive games and guizzes.
- Led the redesign and redevelopment of over 50 eLearning courses.

eLearning Instructional Designer

June 2015 – August 2015

August 2015 – Present

Mariano's Fresh Market - Rosemont, IL

Responsibilities:

- Designed and developed eLearning courses with voice-overs for front-end and specialty department employees across the country using Storyline 2.
- Directed photographers and videographers and acted in videos.

Accomplishments:

• Designed and developed nine eLearning courses in twelve weeks.

Training Solutions Designer

October 2012 - June 2015

Career Education Corporation, Admissions – Schaumburg, IL

Responsibilities:

- Led the design and development of engaging eLearning courses, on-the-job training, SharePoint sites and performance support solutions for over 300 admissions representatives and directors.
- Mentored junior designers by coaching, providing feedback on projects and recommending educational options and training resources.

Accomplishments:

- Converted a week-long instructor-led course into a virtual webinar series.
- Developed an on-the-job leadership development program for new directors.
- Built a learning package consisting of scenario-based eLearning courses, post-training recaps, screencasts and level-one evaluations for a new student management system launch.

Technology Trainer and Designer

June 2007 – October 2012

Kraft Foods Group - Northfield, IL

Responsibilities:

- Trained over 500 global end users and administrators on the uPerform SAP training tool and the Mercury ITG project management tool.
- Developed eLearning courses and training materials using Articulate Studio, uPerform and MS Office.
- Connected with business leaders and subject matter experts to perform needs analysis and establish training curriculum.

Accomplishments:

- Trained business leaders and other departments on how to use and administer SharePoint teamsites and collaboration tools.
- Led support status meetings to analyze support trends, identify training needs and recommend improvements.
- Partnered with outside vendors to manage system support issues and to test and install system upgrades.
- Presented Kraft's uPerform training key learnings and best practices to the uPerform superuser group, which included other major corporations who use the tool to roll out their SAP training programs.