

Kynthia Brunette

Web Consultant, Interaction Designer, Writer, Traveler, Cook
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Education

MS, Human Computer Interaction Design; Indiana University School of Informatics (May 2006)

BA, Political Science; University of Colorado, Boulder (May 2001)

Skills and Training

Design Practice:

- User Experience Research - Contextual Inquiry, Rapid Ethnography, Focus Groups, Interviews, Informance, Photo Diaries;
- Prototyping - Paper Prototyping, Storyboarding, Architecture/Flow Diagrams, Experience Prototyping, Bodystorming, Flash/HTML;
- Usability and Evaluation.

Development, Scripting and Web Programming:

- comfortable with HTML, XHTML, CSS, and Photoshop;
 - working familiarity with Perl, CGI, ActionScript (Flash), and PHP;
 - ever-expanding knowledge of Javascript;
 - basic knowledge of SQL and relational database development.
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Employment Experience

Web Consultant - IU Center for Mathematics Education (12/08 - present)

Research Assistant (02/08 - 08/08)

I returned to Indiana to work part-time for the final year of the NSF grant I had assisted with during grad school. I spent last winter doing various research tasks, and this winter I have been asked to assist with the development of a website that will serve as a project archive. This project is still in progress.

Reference: Maynard Thompson, Principal Investigator

thompson@indiana.edu

User Experience Designer (short-term contract) - Welch Allyn (03/07 - 06/07)

I worked with a team of fellow designers to conduct user research and prototype and test new design ideas for medical equipment that was focused on addressing the needs and concerns of doctors and paramedics in the field.

Reference: Paul Ebert, Requirements Analyst and UX Team Supervisor

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[Assorted jobs in the hospitality industry while traveling in the United Kingdom (08/06 - 02/07)]

Research Assistant - IU Center for Mathematics Education (01/04 - 07/06)

While pursuing my degree, I was appointed as a graduate research assistant with the IU Center for Mathematics Education, an NSF-funded partnership between IU and school districts across Indiana that provides support to teachers as they implement new hands-on mathematics curricula. I performed a variety of administrative and technical duties, maintained the project's participant database, and assisted with the gathering and storage of documentation for project activities.

Reference: Dan Maki, Principal Investigator (retired to work at NSF in 2006)

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Other Experience, Awards, Errata

- Kitchen Manager [September 2008] The Golden Café, Black Rock City, NV
- Participant [August 2006] Convivio International Design Summer School; Edinburgh, Scotland
- Student Volunteer [April 2006] SIGCHI Annual Conference; Montreal, QC
- Mentor (Fall 2005) HCI Design I, Indiana University School of Informatics
- Presenter, Semi-Finalist (April 2005) SIGCHI International Student Design Competition; Portland, OR
- Co-Founder, Member (Nov. 2004 - June, 2006), Iota Nu Phi National Informatics Honor Society, Alpha Chapter
- Member (Jan. 2005 - May, 2006] Design Club - student-run exploratory xxsdesign studio
- Co-Founder (July 2004 - July, 2006) Young Adult Steering Committee, Unitarian Universalist Church of Bloomington
- Board Member (Oct. 2003 - Oct. 2006], Bloomington Old Time Music and Dance Group
- Americorps VISTA volunteer (July 2002 - July 2003)
- Phi Beta Kappa (May 2001)
- National Merit Scholar (August 1997)
- Solved 2/3 of Rubik's cube, memorized the rest (March 1997)