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I have been involved in distance education since 1999, first as a student, and now as an online learning professional. In my current position I serve as the eLearning Director at The University of Texas at Dallas. I am responsible for several employees and the operations of the Learning Management System, a multimedia production studio, and various educational technology software and hardware applications. In addition to my managerial role, my job duties include being a faculty advisor/trainer, instructional designer, and multi-media specialist for online and hybrid delivery courses. In the course development process, I educate the instructor on learning theory and pedagogical strategies, assist in the development of course materials and media, and provide technical support during the course offering. After the course has been offered, I meet with the instructor to evaluate the teaching experience and review student feedback to determine future improvements in the course. My education, technical training, and managerial experience have developed my skills in the areas of instructional design, distance education, human resource management, and technical training.

### **EDUCATION**

Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL, August, 2008  
Doctor of Education in Instructional Technology and Distance Education

Webster University, St Louis, MO, December, 2001  
Master of Arts in Human Resource Development

Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL, May, 2000  
Bachelor of Science, Workforce Education and Training, Magna Cum Laude

Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY, May 1996  
Certificate (31 credit hours), Military Motion Media Studies Program

### **MANAGEMENT EXPERIENCE**

eLearning Director  
The University of Texas at Dallas, Richardson, TX  
03/2011 – present

- Lead technology implementation team
- Oversee eLearning Help Desk
- Supervise Instructional Designers and media specialists
- Coordinate online learning programs and courses
- Coordinate and conduct faculty development and training
- Manage university's Learning Management System
- Advise university executives on educational technology initiatives
- Coordinate with UT System on Distance Education initiatives

### eLearning Manager

The University of Texas at Dallas, Richardson, TX

09/2003 – present

- Directly supervise five employees in the development of online courses
- Indirectly supervise 12 student workers
- Project manager for the construction of multimedia production studio
- Oversee multimedia production studio operations
- Manage training program for online faculty
- Project manager for new course development and updating of existing courses
- Coordinate faculty training programs
- Supervise website development
- Coordinate student workers for online Math Refresher course
- Manage equipment purchasing and equipment inventory
- Conduct evaluations on team-members
- Supervise help-desk for online courses

### Media Specialist

The Medical University of South Carolina Charleston, SC

05/1999 – 12/2002

- Manage multi-million dollar equipment inventory
- Oversee training for instructors using media-equipped classrooms
- Manage preventative maintenance schedule for classroom equipment
- Evaluate equipment and provide recommendations for purchases
- Track orders for new purchases and repairs

### Video Journalist

United States Air Force, March Air Force Base, Charleston Air Force Base

05/1993 – 05/1999

- Supervise team on worldwide deployments
- Manage and securely transmit classified information
- Supervise training of team-members
- Responsible for transport, maintenance, and inventory of equipment
- Coordinate logistics for travel, meals, and billeting
- Conduct team evaluations and after action reports on missions
- Ensure quality control of finished products (videos, still imagery, computer graphics)
- Responsible for maintaining team morale on deployments
- Evaluate equipment and provide recommendations for purchases

## **TRAINING EXPERIENCE**

### eLearning Manager

The University of Texas at Dallas Richardson, TX

09/2003 – present

- Train faculty on online teaching pedagogy and teaching strategies
- Train faculty, staff, and students on course management systems (WebCT, Blackboard) and emerging technologies
- Develop Online Learning Handbook for new online instructors

- Create and institute online course development process
- Create online tutorials for using WebCT
- Develop and conduct faculty workshops
- Provide “Just in Time” training on instructional technology tools
- Maintain training website
- Conduct orientation for new students

Media Specialist

The Medical University of South Carolina Charleston, SC

05/1999 – 12/2002

- Train faculty and staff on distance learning videoconferencing equipment
- Conduct classroom technology training sessions
- Produce, write, direct, record, and edit medical training videos

Video Journalist

United States Air Force March Air Force Base, Charleston Air Force Base

05/1993 – 05/1999

- Conducted training classes on the use of video production tool including cameras, linear and non-linear editing systems, and studio equipment
- Produced training videos on the use of video equipment
- Produced medical training videos to educate Armenian doctors on the use of American donated medical equipment
- Director of Photography for video showing behavior of cargo airplanes when flying in close proximity formations for NASA
- Produced and edited combat training videos for the Joint Chiefs of Staff, NATO, U.S. Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, and Navy

**INSTRUCTIONAL DESIGN EXPERIENCE**

eLearning Manager

The University of Texas at Dallas Richardson, TX

09/2003 – present

- Conduct workshops for faculty on principles of instructional design
- Analyze, Design, Develop, Implement and Evaluate online courses
- Insure online courses adhere to Principles of Good Practice
- Insure course assessments match with course objectives
- Organize course in logical manner
- Determine media to be used in courses

Media Specialist

The Medical University of South Carolina Charleston, SC

05/1999 – 12/2002

- Design and implement objective based technology training classes

Video Journalist

United States Air Force March Air Force Base, Charleston Air Force Base

05/1993 – 05/1999

- Develop and conduct just in time training on video equipment use and maintenance

### **MEDIA DEVELOPMENT EXPERIENCE**

eLearning Manager

The University of Texas at Dallas Richardson, TX

09/2003 – present

- Create HTML pages for online courses and websites
- Produce interactive Flash and Java-based learning objects and lectures
- Produce, direct, write, record and edit video productions
- Produce, and direct multi-camera productions
- Stream video and audio material
- Integrate podcasts, Wiki's, and RSS feeds into online courses
- Develop multi-media tutorials for online course tools (WebCT, Library Research Databases, SAP)

Media Specialist

The Medical University of South Carolina Charleston, SC

05/1999 – 12/2002

- Produce, direct, write, record and edit video productions
- Technical director and camera operator for multi-camera productions

Video Journalist

United States Air Force March Air Force Base, Charleston Air Force Base

05/1993 – 05/1999

- Produce, direct, write, record, and edit video productions

### **SERVICE**

*Committees*

- The University of Texas at Dallas Learning Management System Committee, 2007 – Present
- The University of Texas at Dallas Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) Accreditation Committee, 2006 – Present

### *Conferences*

- Instructional Design Track Chair, Texas Distance Learning Association (TxDLA) Conference 2009
- Program Committee Member, Texas Distance Learning Association (TxDLA) Conference 2008

### **PRESENTATIONS/ARTICLES**

- Crone, D.W. (2007, November). 10 Tips to Extend the Shelf Life of your Online Course. *Online Classroom, November*, 1-3.
- Crone, D.W. (2007, November). Educational Applications of Second Life. Presentation at Western Cooperative for Educational Telecommunications National Conference, Atlanta, GA.
- Crone, D.W. (2007, January). The One to One Model. Presentation at the annual meeting of The Sloan Consortium, Orlando, FL.
- Adams, K.A., Crone, D.W. (2007, May). We're in Second Life! From Brainstorming to Begging to Building. Presentation at the annual meeting of The University of Texas System Innovations in Online Learning conference 2007, Austin, TX.
- Crone, D.W., Adams, K.A., Jennings, E.B. (2007, March). Virtual Environments: The Evolution of Online Learning? Presentation at the annual meeting of Texas Distance Learning Association 2007, Galveston, TX.
- Crone, D.W. (2006, May). 10 Tips to Extend the Shelf-life of your course. Presentation at the annual meeting of The University of Texas System Innovations in Online Learning conference 2006, Austin, TX.
- Crone, D.W. (2006, March). Creating Interactive Multimedia Lectures with Camtasia. Presentation at the annual meeting of Texas Distance Learning Association 2006, San Antonio, TX.
- Crone, D.W. (2005, May). Are you Up the Media Stream Without a Paddle? Presentation at the annual meeting of The University of Texas System Innovations in Online Learning conference 2005, Austin, TX.
- Crone, D.W. (2005, March). Online Assessment ...Taming the Virtual Wild West. Presentation at the annual meeting of Texas Distance Learning Association 2005, Fort Worth, TX.
- Barnes, G., Crone, D.W. (2004, March). Do You Suffer from NTS (New Toy Syndrome)? Presentation at the annual meeting of Texas Distance Learning Association 2004, Galveston, TX.

- Barnes, G., Crone, D.W., Fang, Q. (2004, March). The Global MBA Online Program. Presentation at the annual meeting of Texas Distance Learning Association 2004, Galveston, TX.

### **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

<b>Course Management</b>	<b>Media Production</b>	<b>Administrative</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WebCT</li> <li>• Blackboard</li> <li>• Respondus</li> <li>• Moodle</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dreamweaver</li> <li>• Microsoft Frontpage</li> <li>• Adobe Photoshop</li> <li>• FLASH</li> <li>• SWISH</li> <li>• Macromedia Fireworks</li> <li>• AVID</li> <li>• Pinnacle Studio</li> <li>• Second Life</li> <li>• MySpace</li> <li>• Facebook</li> <li>• Camtasia</li> <li>• Microsoft Publisher</li> <li>• Video/Still camera</li> <li>• Tricaster multi-camera switcher</li> <li>• Audio board</li> <li>• Scanner</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Microsoft Word</li> <li>• Microsoft Excel</li> <li>• Microsoft PowerPoint</li> <li>• Microsoft Outlook</li> <li>• Adobe Acrobat</li> <li>• Google Documents</li> <li>• Zoho</li> <li>• Wiki's</li> <li>• Podcasting</li> <li>• RSS</li> </ul>

### **ACTIVITIES**

#### *Honor Organizations*

- The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, Member 2001-Present
- Golden Key International Honor Society, Member 2000-Present

#### *Professional Organizations*

- Western Cooperative for Education Telecommunications, 2007-Present
- Association for Educational Communications and Technology, 2003-Present
- Texas Distance Learning Association, 2003-Present

- The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, 2001-Present
- Golden Key International Honour Society, 2000-Present

### **REFERENCES**

Available upon request.