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NPS SINCE 2020

24 MONTHS GS5 COMPETITIVE SERVICE;

2 SEASONS GS7 COMPETITIVE SERVICE;

10 MONTHS GS11 VETERANS AGENCY

DUTIES: (ALL INCLUSIVE)
INTERPRETATION & COMMUNICATION,
VISITOR SERVICES & FACILITY
OPERATIONS; TRAINING & EDUCATION;
RESOURCE MONITORING &
COMPLIANCE; COMMUNITY & PARTNER
ENGAGEMENT; PLANNING & PROJECT
COORDINATION



EDUCATION

August 2019, **Masters in Acupuncture**
Traditional Chinese Medicine
Colorado School of TCM, Denver

August 2011, **PhD in Environmental Science/
Environmental Archaeology**
Portland State University, Portland, OR
Dissertation: *Deforestation, Drought, and Humans:
New Discoveries of the Late Quaternary
Paleoenvironment of Rapa Nui. Publ. 2011*

May 1993, **Masters in Solar-Vernacular
Architecture**
Arizona State University, Tempe

May 1986, **5 Yr Prof Bachelor of Architecture/
Anthropology**
University of Southwestern Louisiana, Lafayette

RECENT EXPERIENCE

*May-October 2026 (40 hours weekly, rehire)

*May - October 2025 (40 hours weekly)

GS7 Park Ranger (Interp) seasonal

NPS, Voyageurs NP, MN

- *Voyageur* 58' vessel, 49 passenger on-board Ranger
- MOCC NPS certified boat operator, deckhand
- Independent Research Programs: Canoe, Night Sky, Trail Roving, Jr. Ranger, Wildlife, Env/Nature Educator, History & Cultural Resources
- WFR/CPR/LNT Instructor, Training volunteers
- Supervisor: Erik Ditzler, erik_ditzler@nps.gov

January 2022 - Present (20 hours weekly and on-call)

Volunteer TrailMedic/SAR

Cochise County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) AZ

- Climber, Tracker and K9 experience

Related Experience: Am. Red Cross Instructor Trainer

Water Safety, Lifeguard, FA/CPR, Adapted Aquatics for Acadia Parish 6 years (full-time) **Marine Survival Training Center (MSTC) Instr.**, Univ. of Louisiana. 6 years (full time) *Helicopter Underwater Egress Training (HUET), Sea Survival, Fire Fighting, and First Aid/CPR.*

May 2024 - December 2024 (40 hours weekly)

GS5 PSAR Park Ranger, VRP (3Yr. Term Position)

NPS, Chiricahua National Monument, AZ

- Trail Ranger, WFR, Visitor Education & Safety Programs
- Supervisor: Andrew Podany, andrew_podany@nps.gov

May 2023 - February 2024 (50 hours weekly)

GS11 Licensed Acupuncturist

Veterans Agency, John D. Dingell VA Hospital, Detroit

- Integrated Clinical Services, DEMPS certified
- Proficiency with Diagnosis, Tx Plans and Patient Care that included: Cancer, Agent Orange toxicity, Neurological Anxiety, PTSD and Women's Health

May 2022 - May 2023 (40 hours weekly)

GS5 Park Ranger (Interp) covid hire one year term

NPS, Chiricahua National Monument, AZ

- Edu Development, SAR/Trail Medic, Ranger Programs at VC-Campground-Trail Pop Ups, Wildlife/Nature focused

May 2021 - October 2021 (40 hours weekly)

GS5 Park Ranger (Interp) seasonal

NPS, Mesa Verde National Park, CO

- Cliff Dwelling tour Ranger, VC Programs, Tribal Affiliation Stewardship

Additional Appropriate MISC

2016-current (annual 2 month full-time resident)

Volunteer/Research Scientist. Southwest Research Station, Am. Museum Nat. History. Portal, AZ

SUMMARY (*full CV available by request*)

Teacher 15+ years

Diverse/interdisciplinary Univ. classes, Comm.
College, K-12 Art & Science, Title IX

Creator and Architect

solar7.83 Design/Build & Sustainability School
from 1996-2011

Academic Development

Environmental Studies Programs

Leader & Hiking Guide 15+ years

Expeditions, Field Schools & Study Abroad
Portland Hiking Meetup Group

Field Scientist 15+ years

Ethnobotanist, Trees, Forest Ecology including
Palynology, Oxygen Isotopes, Coring lakes

Archaeologist 15+ years

N. Am. Prehistory; Desert SW Architecture;
Oceania & Islands, Underwater

Field Medicine since 2009

NOLS Wilderness First Responder, WFA, CPR,
Trail Medic, Trauma & Mountaineering,
Am. Red Cross Instructor

NCCAOM Certified/ Licensed Acupuncturist

2020 - current - Colorado & Arizona

Artist

Commissioned Artist in Residence

Architect & Lighting Designer 1986-2011

Passive Solar, Ecological Design
Stage Right Productions (8 years full time)-
lighting designer, technician & truss spot
operator. Rigger.

NPS Park Ranger since 2020

SAR/PSAR & Education Specialist/
Interpretation

Tribal Liason

Teacher of Title IX Portland Public Schools,
Archaeologist with NAGPRA, Section 106
Historic Preservation and Cultural experience,
HABS/HAER architecture,

REI

Climbing/Camping Supervisor - 1992-1997
Developed Community, Children's Camping
Programs

2018-2020 (32 hours weekly)

Fitness-Yoga-Qigong Instructor, Denver Parks & Rec,
1992-1997. **REI, Climbing/Camping Lead, Tempe, AZ**
Supervisor of 17 employees, \$1M inventory. Responsible for
schedules, training, children's camping programs

ACADEMIC TEACHING EXPERIENCE (*abbreviated*)

2023 Winter Term (full-time January-May)

Instructor, Cochise College, Lifelong Learning, AZ
*Wonders of the Architectural World; Ancient Cultures and
Their Science; Castles and Ancient Stones*

2021 Winter Term (full-time)

Adjunct Assistant Professor, Skagit Valley College, WA

- *Castles and Ancient Stones*, Online Comm. Edu
- 2015 - 2016, San Juan Center, San Juan Island
- *ANTH 204 Archaeology Field Methods* •Ancient Cultures
- *ANTH 206 Cultural Anthropology; •Eco-Design Wkshps*

2020 - 2021 (full-time)

Instructor, Saturday Academy and Title IX Program,
Portland, OR

- High School online: *Basic Design*; and 3rd-5th grade
Lake Oswego online: *Basic Design*
- 1999-2014 (part-time)
- After school programs, Grades 2 thru 12th Science and
Art, Architecture

2019 Winter Term (full-time Jan-May)

Lecturer - Anthropology Dept., Univ. of Denver, CO
• *ANTH 3701: Ancient Cultures & Their Science*

2017-2019 (full-time)

Lecturer - Anthropology Dept., Univ. of Colorado, Denver
• *ANTH3142: Cultural Diversity in the Modern World*
• Guest Lecturer/Studio - Architecture Dept.

2002-2014 (full-time)

Adjunct Assistant Professor - Univ. Studies Dept.,
Portland State Univ. Portland, OR
• *Env. Sustainability, Nat. Sci. Inquiry, Ecological Design*

1996-2009

Instructor/Developer, Portland Community College, OR
Environmental Studies and Community Education Dept.
• *Solar, Arch. Design Build, Eco-Design, Env. Sus.*

Appropriate Volunteer Experience

2016-current **Research Scientist**, Chiricahua Mountains, Portal
AZ Monitoring climate change, creek water flow and forest
ecology. Wildlife (owls, predator birds, coati, jaguar) Tree health,
ecological succession and wildfire recovery www.EarthArXiv.org

2021-current **Tabor Tree Project, Principal Investigator**,
NASA Globe Observer. Training Citizen Scientists. Mazamas
Conservation Grant 2021 \$1000; Ronin Institute \$1200