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Meteor Project Manager at National Student Clearinghouse

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Experience

Meteor Project Manager at National Student Clearinghouse

February 2011 - Present (1 year 4 months)

Project Manager - Common Education Data Standards (CEDS) at Postsecondary Electronic Standards Council

2010 - Present (2 years)

Meteor Project Manager at NCHELP

November 1999 - February 2011 (11 years 4 months)

Chief of Staff, Financial Partners at US Department of Education

2003 - 2004 (1 year)

Vice President of Technology Services at NCHELP

1999 - 2003 (4 years)

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

National Student Clearinghouse*, Herndon, VA

Project Manager (Full-time Consultant)

Jan 2005 to Present

*NOTE: From January 2005 through February 2011, I managed the Meteor Project for the National Council of Higher Education Loan Programs. The project was acquired by the National Student Clearinghouse in February 2011 and I was hired to continue management of the project.

- Responsible for the implementation and operation of a multi-million dollar virtual network, the Meteor Network, providing access to loan servicers, state agencies and nearly 200 colleges and universities nationwide, to a student loan portfolio valued at over \$500billion.
- Successfully integrated the product into college and university portals nationwide utilizing a federated model of authentication to provide access to millions of students.
- Generate continuous assessment and evaluation of product application needs by assembling, managing and developing collaboration with multidisciplinary team (business development, regulatory/compliance, legal, marketing, and security). Determine feasibility and risk of all new product enhancements.
- Developed an external stakeholder feedback and advisory team infrastructure including the creation and selection of a national Steering Committee and several Advisory Committees.
- Select and manage development, security and production support vendors. Devise, implement and evaluate training and educational materials. Assist with provider implementations, outreach activities, and marketing efforts for the project. Arrange all aspects of meeting planning for User Group, Advisory Team and Steering Committee meetings on a national level.
- Cultivate, motivate, and champion continuous improvement of the product advisory teams. Utilize substantial conflict resolution and leadership skills.
- Developed, managed and gained Board approval of all aspects of the product budget. Presented executive summary reports regarding project funding and strategic initiatives to CEO's of key industry organizations (representing nearly 70% of the total higher education financing industry market share)

Postsecondary Electronic Standards Council (PESC), Washington, DC

Common Education Data Standards (CEDS) Project Manager (PT Consultant)

Aug 2010 to Feb 2012

- Led PESC's participation on the CEDS Consortium, which, in conjunction with the Council of Chief State School Officers, the State Higher Education Executive Officers and the Gates Foundation, developed a data exchange standard to support the effective exchange of data within and across states. The standards focus is on the students' transition between educational sectors and levels, and for federal reporting. This common vocabulary enables more consistent and comparable data to be used throughout all education levels and sectors necessary to support improved student achievement.
- Co-chair of the Adoption and Implementation Task Force (AITF) which assisted state boards of education, state and local education agencies, research organizations, postsecondary institutions and other pk-20 stakeholders on the evaluation of the standards to help reduce operational complexities and to accelerate implementation. Planned work assignments and maintained project schedule for the AITF team.
- Led the development of project management documentation, helped build external stakeholder consensus on a variety of adoption and implementation items, conducted a national adoption and implementation survey to measure the accomplishments of the Consortium.
- Worked with state education agencies on mapping data elements to the CEDS, identifying gaps and proposing recommendations to the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) for future expansion of the standards.
- Represented PESC at numerous conferences, hosted national workgroups, and assisted in the development of national webinars and in person training sessions.

United States Department of Education, Federal Student Aid, Washington DC

Chief of Staff, Financial Partner Services

Oct 2003 to Sept 2004

- Advised the Office of Postsecondary Education and the Office of General Counsel in the evaluation of program regulations and the political ramifications of various proposals and constituent requests.
- Contributed to the resolution of Federal audits and provided assistance in investigations conducted by the Office of the Inspector General.

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- Designed and administered the process for awarding private sector organizations with increased Federal rates of reinsurance in accordance with Federal legislation.
- Facilitated agency-wide communications and promptly responded to inquiries from private lenders, loan servicing organizations, state loan guaranty agencies, industry trade association constituents and member of Congress.
- Coordinated the implementation of new programs and regulations.
- Collected, aggregated and validated key financial information from state agencies which contributed to the removal of the General Accounting Office's "high risk" designation to the office of Federal Student Aid.
- Identified issues that impacted the agency, maintained an awareness of technological advances to increase staff productivity, served in a managerial and advisory role to the General Manager, oversaw the division's workflow, and assisted with determining and managing priorities.

National Council of Higher Education Loan Programs, Washington DC

Vice President of Technology Services

Nov 1999 to Sept 2003

- Created and managed a 120 member cross-industry committee representing over 40 competing stakeholder organizations in the development, maintenance and strategic planning for various electronic data exchange standards including the design, development and implementation of transport protocols for real-time and batch transmission of loan data. Special attention in monitoring privacy regulations was critical.
- Assisted in the design, development and implementation of a web based process utilized by member organizations nationwide for the collection of Federal fees (\$795 million in 2003) from the United States Department of Education.
- Worked closely with the United States Department of Education and the Office of General Counsel on the development of industry initiatives including a common loan origination platform, a virtual student account, electronic processes for invoicing and payments as well as national standards for electronic signatures.
- Chaired a national committee responsible for the analysis of Federal regulations, security and privacy legislation, the implementation of collaborative industry initiatives and the impact these have to individual organizations operations.
- Managed logistics for monthly national in-person Advisory Committee meetings.
- Lead a team of volunteers to create and plan a national training conference. Responsibilities included site selection, agenda planning, meeting room configuration, food and beverage committee, attendee room block & registration.

Nellie Mae, Braintree MA

Electronic Services Manager

Sept 1996 to Aug 1999

- Administered all aspects of new client data exchange implementations.
- Served as liaison between the marketing, technology and operations units for the implementation of industry standards and communication of Federal and state regulations.
- Represented business operations in the development of a new loan origination processing system.
- Served as the organizations representative to several national committees and project teams.

American Student Assistance, Boston MA

Product Manager

Jan 1993 to Sept 1996

- Managed all aspects of product development for an escrow system for the delivery of student aid funds.
- Coordinated programmers and developers for the testing and implementation of product enhancements.
- Managed staff responsible for daily customer technical support and advised senior management on customer-related contractual changes and negotiations.
- Designed and conducted training seminars on product installation and usage, new development, and government program regulations for both internal employees and external lender and school clients.

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Education Loan Services, Inc., Braintree MA

Various progressively responsible positions

Oct 1989 to Jan 1993

- Redesigned and monitored departmental workflow and created teams for problem solving and client services.
- Developed and executed productivity tracking/ reporting measures, training programs, and a job-share program.
- Managed the day-to-day activities of the Loan Origination and Customer Service departments.

H & R Block, Inc. Various locations

Feb 1984 to Nov 1999

- Conducted training of basic and advanced tax topics to new and existing staff.
- Prepared individual, partnership, and corporate tax returns.

EDUCATION

09/87 to 09/89 UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS – pre-MBA coursework
01/84 to 05/87 UNIVERSITY OF LOWELL — **Degree:** Bachelor of Arts: Political Science
Minor: Psychology
Summer 1986 RICHMOND COLLEGE, LONDON ENGLAND

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

02/12 to Present Vice-Chair, InCommon Authentication Advisory Committee
02/12 to Present Member, NCHELP Debt Management & Private Loan Committees
04/07 to Present Member, Realtor Association of Greater Fort Lauderdale
01/00 to Present Member, Postsecondary Electronic Standards Council
01/99 to 05/99 Education Policy Fellowship Program, Institute for Educational Leadership
Various Speaker at national conferences, summits and seminars
Various Contributing author to industry newsletters and periodicals