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**Objective**

My goal as an experienced designer and entrepreneur is to obtain a position with an organization that appreciates my knowledge of custom furniture design, interior design education, and service-learning research.

**Recent Education - Leadership**

University of St. Thomas, Houston, TX
School of Education and Human Services
Ed.D., in Ethical Leadership Completed May 2022
Dissertation: Assessing the Value of Public Service in Interior Design Education

**Interior Design Education**

Master of Science Interior Design and Historic Preservation GPA 3.52
University of Tennessee, College of Architecture and Planning
Knoxville, Tennessee Completed 05/14/1999 Thesis
Title: Thomas J. Blanchard, Carpenter in Rural East Tennessee 1846

Bachelor of Fine Arts Interior Design
Chaminade University of Honolulu
Honolulu, HI Completed 05/1992

**Interior Design Teaching and Leadership Experience**

**Texas State University**
Adjunct Professor – Online August 2026- Present
**Department Chair Design – The Art Institutes**
Houston, Austin & San Antonio July 2021 – February 2022
**Art Institute of Austin – Austin, Texas**
Adjunct Faculty – January 2017 to September 2017
Kitchen and Bath Design – 2D Design – Project Management – Construction Documents
**Texas State University – San Marcos, Texas**
Adjunct Faculty– Fall 2014 - 2D Design Basics Introduction to Interior Design
**Chaminade University – Honolulu, Hawaii**
Assistant Professor –Fall 2001 to spring 2011 & Discipline Coordinator 2002-2007

Drafting - Materials and Components –Universal Design– Introduction to Lighting Introduction to Historic Preservation- Commercial Design Senior Studio – Residential Interior Design Studio – Kitchen and Bath Design
**University of Hawaii School of Architecture – Honolulu, Hawaii**
Introduction to Interior Architecture - Outreach Program

**Community College Teaching Experience - Adjunct Faculty**
Windward Community College Kaneohe Hawaii - 2007
Pellissippi State Oak Ridge Tennessee - 1999

**Public School Teaching Experience**
Interim Assigned Teacher 2024-2025 English IV – British Literature Cleveland Independent School District – Full-Time Art Teacher 2023-2024, Honors English Teacher 2022-2023, Long Term Substitute 2018-2020. Prepare and execute lesson plans for 10th and 11th grade students in a title one school district with an 80% emerging bilingual population. Wimberley Independent School District Wimberley, Texas 2014-2015 Substitute Teacher, Katherine Anne Porter (KAPS) Substitute Teacher.

**Retail and Wholesale Sales Experience**
Living Spaces, Full Time – Interior Designer – Humble Outlet – January 2026 - Present
World Market Humble, Texas Part - Time Christmas Sales Associate – November/December 2025
Calico Corners – Austin, Texas, Pottery Barn Outlet – San Marcos, Texas Part-Time
Pro Source - Austin, Texas - Showroom Designer - May 2016 to April 2017
**Professional Design and Preservation - Work Experience**
DreamWorks Custom Home Builder Inc. - Design Consultant - Austin, Texas. November 2012 to November 2018 Wildlife Preservation – Bessie Lynch Trust - 2500 Mount Sharp Road, Master Gardener – Prepared Documents for Property Tax Reduction

**Andaaz Manufacturing – Custom Furniture Designer for Hospitality –** Houston Texas – Major Project Custom Boutique Hotel Hyatt Regency Hollywood CA.
December 2019 – October 2020
**Career Summary**
While completing my Ed. D. in Ethical Leadership, I instructed interior design courses in Houston, Austin and San Antonio for the Art Institutes. As the two Interior design programs Department Chair, my students worked with established and newly formed nonprofit foundations in Texas and Hawaii to expose them to entrepreneurial opportunities that exist through services-learning. In my summer field study, Introduction to Historic Preservation, students compared Historic sites in Hawaii to sites in the mainland United

States. Before returning to my home state of Texas,  I completed design projects in Hawaii, East Tennessee and Texas

**Community Service, Honors**
Battleship Texas Foundation – Present - Historic Hawaii 2012 Historic Commendation Award -Professional Member of the American Society of Interior Designers 1992-2012 -Who’s who in Higher Education 2012 - Winner of 2008 ASID National Competition Real World Design Week - Hawaii Chapter President ASID 2006-2007- ASID Presidential Citation for Distinguished Service 2006 -Associate Member Interior Design Educators Council 2006-2008 -Associate Member Illumination Engineering Society 2006 - 2008