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## OBJECTIVE

With my educational and professional experiences I feel that I have gained many skills, both technical as well as interpersonal, that make me a valuable asset to any team. I hope to find employment either domestically or internationally, that will allow me to work in a field I am very passionate about, that of coastal planning and management.

## EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE

University of Virginia	September 2006 - May 2007	MA: Urban and Environmental Planning (MUEP) Focus on coastal planning & sustainability. Included classes on ecological design, watershed management & conservation planning.
University of Rhode Island	January 2005 - May 2006	MA: Community Planning (26 credit hours completed) Concentration Environmental & Land Use Planning Awards: HUD Fellow
Ecosa Institute	January - May 2004	Certificate: Sustainable Design. One semester intensive course on green building design.
University of Texas	July 1995 - May 1999	BA: Economics Minor: Ecology

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Coastopolis.com	To Present	<i>Founder/ Editor</i>	Developing website as on-line resource for coastal managers, coastal residents and coastal developers. Site will employ news feeds, wiki, forums, spatial apps & other Web 2.0 features to promote sustainable coastal development
University of Virginia	January - June 2007	<i>Research Assistant</i>	Assistant to Prof. Timothy Beatley: Coastal Resiliency Project for Coastal Services Center, NOAA. Conducted literature review on hazard & community resiliency, contributed to annotated bibliography of same
University of Rhode Island	June 2005 - January 2006	<i>Research Fellow</i>	Research Fellowship with URI Coastal Resources Center, Metro Bay Special Area Management Plan Team. Fellowship focused on minority resource use of upper Narragansett Bay. Included stakeholder surveys & key informant interviews to better understand minority uses and understanding of coastal resource.
Blue Frontier Campaign	July - December 2004	<i>Research Assistant</i>	Assisted in preparation and management of first Blue Vision Conference, a national conference of coastal & ocean conservation organizations. Assisted in research, data entry and subsequent publication of <i>The Ocean and Coastal Conservation Guide 2005 -2006</i> .
World Wildlife Fund	May - December 2003	<i>Executive Assistant to Vice President of Latin American and Caribbean Division</i>	Served as interim Executive Assistant for Vice President. Responsibilities included publication of Latin America & Caribbean department brochures & reports, coordination of international conferences & multi-stop international travel for various department members.

## SKILLS & AWARDS

Languages	Spanish: Fluent
Computer Skills	Very proficient in MS Office programs and strong skills in using ArcMap, ArcCatalog, ArcScene as well as some mobile GIS hardware & applications. Proficient with Adobe Creative Suite: Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, DreamWeaver & Acrobat. Proficient with Google Apps: Sketchup, Maps & GoogleEarth
Awards, Achievements & Memberships	2007 RE:VISION Re:Route Design Competition Finalist; 2006 Ironman Triathlon Finisher; 2005 Housing & Urban Development (HUD) Minority Fellowship; American Planning Association & Surfrider Foundation.