

Tyler Hinman

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Objective: Apply my experience as a puzzle solver and designer, as well as my technical ability as appropriate, to a position that works predominantly with puzzles and games.

Education:

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, NY

- Bachelor of Science in Information Technology – Cum Laude, 2006
- Concentration in Machine and Computational Learning
- Minor in Management & Technology
- Recipient of Founders Award of Excellence (awarded to 1% of students)
- Member of Gamma Nu Eta (IT honor society)
- Member of Order of Omega (Greek honor society)

Puzzle-Related Accomplishments:

Freelance crossword puzzle construction – 2000-present

- Construct original crossword puzzles for several major newspapers and syndicates, including The New York Times and The Wall Street Journal
- Winner's Circle Crosswords published with Puzzlewright Press in 2013
- Member of CrosSynergy Syndicate LLC, August 2009-April 2012
- One of eight crossword constructors for The Onion since November 2006

Contributing editor to The Enigma – September 2007-July 2012

- Edited cryptograms for the National Puzzlers' League's official magazine American Crossword Puzzle Tournament champion – 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009

Profiled in the 2006 documentary Wordplay

Winning teammate (2007, 2009) and puzzle designer (2008, 2010), MIT Mystery Hunt USA B-Team member, 2005 World Puzzle Championship

Career Experience:

Lumos Labs, San Francisco, CA – November 2011-present

- Design and program Flash games to improve mental abilities

Google Inc., Mountain View, CA – June 2008-September 2011

- Tools Developer in Consumer Operations
- Designed and programmed applications to streamline team members' work
- Specialized in creating modules to process support tickets automatically

Interval Data Systems, Watertown, MA – January-April 2008

- Designed Excel/Visual Basic prototype to interpret building systems data

Darwin Capital Trading, Chicago, IL – August 2006-October 2007

- Traded US Treasury futures and Eurodollar futures on eCBOT and CME
- Bought and sold spreads based on expected norms and prior experience

Computer Skills:

Programming/scripting experience: AS3, Python, C++, MySQL, VBA, HTML, JS

Leadership Activities:

President, Phi Mu Delta Fraternity (Nu Theta chapter) – spring 2006

President, Gamma Nu Eta – 2005-2006

Secretary, Rensselaer Interfraternity Council – 2004