

ADAM MCBRIDE-SMITH

Technical Communicator



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EDUCATION

Portland State University

Portland, OR

MA in Professional and Technical Writing

Fall 2018 - June 2020

Oklahoma State University & University College Cork

Stillwater, OK / Cork, Ireland

BA in English with Honors

1997 - 2001

EXPERTISE

- Accessible Design
- Assistive Technology
- User Research and UX Design
- Graphic Design
- Disability Advocacy
- Topic-based Authoring
- Content Management
- Document Remediation
- Plain Language
- Technical Editing
- Agile Workflow
- Web Design

PROFICIENCIES

Technology: MS Office, Adobe CC (PS, AI, ID, DC, DW, XD), NVDA, Chrome DevTools, Confluence, Jira, Trello, InVision, Figma, OmniGraffle, WordPress, DITA, DITA OT, Drupal 8

Languages: French, HTML, CSS, JS, C

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Current IAAP Member

Code4PDX Volunteer, UX Team

Helped design a social media scraper to monitor disease outbreaks for Clackamas HHHS

October, 2018 - June, 2019

ABOUT

I'm a creative self-starter with a love of language and universal design. I started my career as an ESL teacher and educational writer. However, more recently I have combined a knack for clear communication with a passion for technology. As an MA in Professional and Technical Writing and a CPACC (Certified Professional in Accessibility Core Competencies), I'm looking to continue working as a technologist specializing in accessible, user-centered design.

WORK EXPERIENCE



Content and Communications / IT Accessibility

Office of Information Technology, Portland State University

Portland, OR

Content Specialist

October, 2019 - June, 2020



Agency Tourism Marketing

Portland, OR

Intern / Technical Communicator

June, 2019 - August, 2019



The College Board

New York City, NY

Independent Contractor / Passage Writer: the SAT (Scholastic Aptitude Test)

October, 2016 - Present



Educational Testing Service

Princeton, NJ

Consultant / Outside Item Writer: TOEIC (Test of English for International Communications) and TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language)

May, 2014 - Present



ELS Language Center at Concordia University

Portland, OR

Senior Instructor / Materials Developer : English as a Second Language

January, 2013 - January, 2017



The British Council

Paris, France

Instructor: English as a Foreign Language

February, 2011 - August, 2012



Executive Language Services

Paris, France

Instructor: English as a Foreign Language

September, 2007 - October, 2011



Putumayo World Music

New York City, NY

Consultant: Legal Affairs

Fall, 2004 - Summer, 2005



Rennert Bilingual

New York City, NY

Instructor: English as a Second Language

April, 2002 - September, 2007