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EDUCATION

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| MS | Florida State University, Urban and Regional Planning
Studio: "Gaines Street Pedestrian Corridor Design Study"
Advisor: Dr. Haight | December 1994 |
| BS | Florida State University, Interdisciplinary Social Sciences
Graduated Summa Cum Laude
Minored in Mathematics | May 1993 |

EMPLOYMENT

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| Comprehensive Planning Administrator, Land Development
Supervise Comprehensive Planning Unit, Comprehensive Plan Map and Text Amendments, special studies, City Community Redevelopment Areas (CRA), Joint Planning Agreements, and strategic land use analysis | 2020-present |
| Comprehensive Planning Administrator, Long Range Planning | 2011 to 2020 |
| Principal Planner, Long Range Planning | 2006 to 2011 |
| Senior Planner, Planner III, Planner II, Planning Division
Developments of Regional Impact (DRI) Coordinator, CRA review management, Selected Area Plan (SAP) preparations and review, site plan review, Planned Development and zoning change preparations | 1996 to 2006 |
| Planner II, Housing and Community Development
Redevelopment Plan for Eloise, assisted with Consolidated Plan for Community Development Block Grant funds, grant eligibility determinations, managing citizen and housing advisory committees | 1995 to 1996 |

HONORS AND AWARDS

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| Polk Vision Leadership Alumni | 2017 |
| Lake Wales Leadership Alumni | 2016 |
| Certified Public Manager, FSU | 2008 |
| Richard Coleman Conservation Award, Sierra Club, FL Chapter, Polk Group | 2003 |

PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED LECTURES

Workshop, “Got Planning” Florida American Planning Association Conference, Sept. 2018

Keynote Address, “Census” Bartow Rotary, January 2020

Workshop, “Low Impact Design,” Water School, March 2018.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING AND SERVICE

AICP Continuing Education Credits

American Institute of Certified Planning, 32 Credits per two years

Florida American Planning Association

FAPA Annual Conference Co-Chair, 2007

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Planning Association, 1997-Present

Florida American Planning Association (FAPA), 1997-Present

Heart of Florida Section, FAPA, 1997-Present

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Lake Wales Heritage

Volunteer, 2022

Ridge Rangers, The Nature Conservancy, Florida Fish and Wildlife

Volunteer, Polk County and Lake McLeod Preserve, 1997 to 2014

COMPUTER SKILLS

MS Word, Excel, Power Point, Smart Draw, Accela, Minute Traq, ESRI Data Viewers