

# DAMIAN BENDERSKY

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## EDUCATION

### Tennessee Technological University | 2005 - 2008

Bachelor of Science degree in Web Design.

- Graduated Magna Cum Laude with a 3.886 cumulative GPA (3.929 from TTU courses).
- Member of the TTU Honors Program and recipient of the Honors Academic Scholarship.
- Named to TTU "Dean's List" every semester (GPA > 3.0).
- Nominated by the Web Design Executive Board to the 2007 Excellence in Liberal Arts Award.
- Nominated to the National Collegiate Minority Leadership Award, Collegiate All-American Scholar Award, Mortar Board National Honor Society, The National Honors Society of Phi Kappa Phi, and Who's Who Among American College Students.



### Hiwassee College | 2002 - 2004

Associate of Arts degree in Computer & Information Systems.

- Graduated Summa Cum Laude with a 3.917 cumulative GPA.
- Member of Phi Theta Kappa, the international honors society of the two-year college.
- Member of Hiwassee College's Honors Program.
- Named to the "Dean's List" (GPA > 3.5) and "President's List" (GPA = 4.0) 2 semesters each.
- Member of Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges.
- Recipient of Hiwassee College's 2004 Scholastic Athlete Award; awarded to the college athlete with highest grade point average.
- Recipient of the J.H. Brunner Honors Award, Wilaldomar Honors Award, International Student Award, Men's Soccer Award, and a certificate in recognition of outstanding achievement in mathematics.



## RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

### Discovery Education Assessment | 2008 - 2009

Interactive Applications Developer

- Developed the company's "Response To Intervention" web application, which allows teachers in thousands of schools in the United States to identify and improve their students' non-proficient areas; by interactively monitoring and analyzing their progress on standardized tests. (Flash + PHP + MySQL)
- Designed and co-developed the web application to administer the company's "Val-Ed" product, which measures the leadership effectiveness of thousands of school principals in the U.S. (PHP + MySQL)
- Customized interactive Flash games for thousands of students of all grades to play as incentive during tests.
- Developed an interactive MathML (XML-based) generator in Flash as a proof-of-concept project.
- Redesigned the company's corporate website.



### Denso Manufacturing Athens Tennessee | 2006 - 2007

Interactive Applications Developer (internship)

- Created an animated training program that included voiceover content, videos, interactive tests and scenarios; developed in Flash, connected to a MS SQL Server 2005 database via ASP. Its admin site allowed educators to analyze associates' progress and graphical statistics. It received recognition from DENSO plants worldwide, including the company's headquarters in Japan.
- Designed a departmental website and developed other administrative applications and training tools.



### Freelance | 2002 - Present

Web Designer

- Designed numerous websites for personal and design companies' clients.

## SKILLS / TECHNOLOGIES

- Concept design; knowing what to design in order to reach a specific audience in the most persuasive manner.
- User experience design; knowing how to design a user-centered product in the most efficient, simple, and intuitive manner.
- INTERACTIVE: Adobe Flash CS3 design and development, ActionScript 2.0 transitioning to 3.0.
- WEB: XHTML, CSS, JavaScript, XML, AJAX.
- DYNAMIC: PHP, ASP, ASP.NET, MySQL, MS SQL Server.
- GRAPHIC: Adobe Photoshop CS3, Fireworks CS3, Illustrator CS3, InDesign CS3.
- VIDEO: Adobe Premiere Pro CS3.
- SOUND: Adobe SoundBooth CS3 and Sony SoundForge.
- OTHERS: Java, Visual Basic, Python.
- GENERAL: Microsoft Office.
- Now learning: Adobe Flex 3, AfterEffects CS3.

## WORKSHOPS PRESENTED

### **Basic Concepts of Adobe Flash | 2007**

- Presented two workshops for TN Tech University Web Design students, covering topics such as when to use Flash, introduction to tweened animation, introduction to interactivity using ActionScript 2.0, working with variables, displaying dynamic data, etc.

## OTHER EXPERIENCE

### **Spanish Teacher | 2003 - 2004**

- Taught Spanish (native language) classes for over twenty students of all ages at Vonore Public Library in Vonore, TN.

### **Tutor | 2002 - 2003**

- Tutored college and high school students in different levels of Math, Spanish, and Computer Science.