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Land Use Planner
BS Community and Regional Planning,
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Work Experience

Washington County, OR Associate Planner	Sep. 2023-Present	Focusing on development review in the urban area. Preparing staff reports and decisions for residential, commercial, and institutional land use applications, including development review, land divisions, planned developments, and floodplain and environmental reviews. Presenting findings and recommendations at public hearings. Working with the public, including counter shifts and pre-application conferences.
Interim Senior Planner	Apr.-June 2026	
City of Tillamook City Planner	June 2021-July 2023	Administering planning, tax increment financing, and code enforcement programs for a city of 5,000. Supervising one employee and acting as a top-level department head. Providing staff support at public meetings as required.
ISU College of Design Undergraduate Research Assistant	Feb. 2019-Aug. 2020	With Community and Regional Planning Prof. Mônica Haddad. Grant writing, editing, literature review, GIS, qualitative data analysis, and fieldwork.

Projects and Examples of Work

Tillamook Urban Renewal Agency: Managing a long-standing tax increment financing district from June 2021-July 2023, including conducting board and committee meetings, preparing contracts, managing budgets, and preparing annual reports.

Urban Utopias: Researching, writing, and publishing blog articles covering urban design, government, and socioeconomic theory. Active Sep. 2018-Apr. 2021. Site maintained with a portfolio of notable projects.

Activities and Community Involvement

<u>Westside Queer Resource Center</u> , Volunteer	Summer 2024-Present	Volunteering at regular office hours and community events for a nonprofit community and resource center serving the queer community in and around Washington County.
<u>Washington County Cultural Celebrations Pride Committee</u> , Volunteer	Sep. 2023-Present	Planning and supporting county LGBTQ Pride events, including drafting and presenting resolutions for Pride Month and Transgender Awareness Week.

Items of Note

Software Skills: Accela • ArcGIS Pro/Online • RStudio • NVivo Qualitative Analysis • Qualtrics Survey Design • Microsoft Office • Adobe Acrobat Pro • WordPress • C++ • Python

Professional Development: 2025 Oregon APA Conference • 2023 League of Oregon Cities Spring Conference • ESRI User Conference 2020 & 2021