

# Cedar Pruitt

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## Education

HARVARD UNIVERSITY, Graduate School of Education Cambridge, MA

Ed.M., 2002

Specialization Technology In Education. Coursework in technology policy and law at John F. Kennedy School of Government and the Harvard Law School.

Teaching Fellow for the course “Emergent Technologies in Educational Contexts Outside the Classroom.”

HAMPSHIRE COLLEGE Amherst, MA

Bachelor of Arts, 1998

Specialization Mass Media and Cultural Studies. Coursework in media studies and sociology at Amherst College and Mt. Holyoke College.

## Experience

### 2003-present

PROGRESSIVE GOVERNMENT PROJECT Cambridge, MA

Web Content Editor. Responsible for writing and editing online publications that report on presidential appointees. Member of the Steering Committee.

- Designed, developed, titled and wrote weekly newsletter, The Reformer.
- Researched, wrote and published 3-4 articles per week, and edited 10 weekly articles in AP style.
- Conducted interviews with notable authors William Greider and Ivo Daalder.
- Designed games and brainstormed new online features for Web site; developed next Web generation.
- Conceived and developed innovative “Appointee Watch” feature, published weekly.
- Writing featured by Guerilla News Network.
- Web site dubbed “Top Alternative Media” by The Nation; featured in UTNE Reader, Hope.

## **2002-2003**

COGNISTAR CORPORATION

Southborough, MA

Course Developer and Editor. Responsible for generating post-graduate accredited law courses sold on the Internet.

- Wrote and edited course content, and conceived and created supplementary content, including Flash animations. Researched case law, and organized and edited text and video content.
- Developed interactive online component for ABC network program "State v.," which highlighted the jury selection process.

## **2000-2002**

HARVARD UNIVERSITY, JFK School of Government

Cambridge, MA

Web Developer, Editor, and Systems Designer for Degree Programs. Sole Web developer for the JFK School of Government Admissions and Degree Programs Web sites.

- Independently conceived, developed and implemented design, aesthetics and organizational structure of Web sites; selected, digitized and edited multimedia content for presentation; and posted streaming video and audio materials.
- Directed all online recruitment efforts.
- Instructed senior staff in Web authoring programs, provided general Web support for school.
- Worked successfully with different teams of staff and students throughout the school to identify wide-ranging goals and to strategize our online presence.

## **1998-2000**

Staff Assistant  
Freelance Web and Content Developer.

Increased user accessibility to program information through innovative design.

- Created new Web sites for eight different administrative areas throughout the school.
- Worked independently on wide range of projects including editing and compiling course catalogue and faculty biographies, coordinating course evaluations, and managing course database.
- Developed an electronic process to replace every paper form used in Teaching Support.
- As a member of Second Year Committee, established new advisor assignment process and was nominated for the Dean's Award for Excellence in May 2000.

## 2000- 2001

HARVARD LAW SCHOOL, Berkman Center for Internet & Society Cambridge, MA

Berkman Affiliate. Web developer, reporter and multimedia specialist.

- Contributing Editor of The Filter, a monthly Web publication on public interest Internet issues.
- Internet research projects included editing a Web audio journal documentary of a Harvard Law School Evidence Class; assisting in the development of the Center's online-education courseware, designing the prototype website for Chilling Effects, a project to track threats to free speech and expression online, and helping create a Web-enabled presentation on Internet privacy with Berkman Center Executive Director Eric Saltzman, an Emmy award-winning documentary filmmaker.
- Researched, wrote and edited reports on breaking developments; conducted interviews with leaders in Internet policy and law.

### Special skills personal

**Research and Writing:** Featured author in Identity Theory, April-June 2003; humor writing published in Issue #8 of McSweeney's. Former Reporter and Contributing Editor of The Filter. Variety of freelance writing projects, including Editorial Coordinator for the conference newsletter at the Eleventh Annual Computers, Freedom and Privacy Conference and publishing a piece on the Boston Harbor Islands for Custom Communications.com. Teen Scene writer/editor for Briefme.com. Currently seeking a publisher for my completed children's book manuscript.

**Technical:** Skilled at writing and editing, and in wide range of Web design, authoring, database, video and audio editing applications, including Dreamweaver, Photoshop, and Flash, among many others. One of three judges in 2002 Council for Advancement and Support of Education Web site awards.

**Travel:** Eastern Europe, Central America, United Kingdom