

Kelly Finan

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Objective: *To secure a position which utilizes my skills in environmental science, graphic design, and illustration*

Education: **University of California Extension, Santa Cruz**
Graduate Certificate, **Science Illustration** (June 2009)

Juniata College

B.S. **Liberal Arts** (May 2008), GPA 3.89, Class rank 8 of 316

Major/Minor: **Environmental Science/Studio Fine Art**

Travel: **Study abroad in the Galapagos Islands**, remote field courses in the Southwest U.S. and Florida

Art and
Design skills:

- Experience with Adobe Creative Suite (including Dreamweaver), Wordpress, and website management. Extensive training in graphite, pen and ink, scratchboard, coquille board, colored pencil, acrylic, oils, watercolor, gouache, photography (both darkroom and digital), and ceramics.

Other skills:

- Knowledge of current environmental issues, U.S. geologic history, hydrology, structural geology, taxonomy, microscopy, toxicology, ecology, plant morphology, marine biology, and evolution. Rock/fossil identification, ability to read topographic maps, experience collecting and analyzing ecological data, skill using a GPS unit and ArcMap, public speaking, analytical writing, boating (canoe, kayak, and motorized), SOLO Wilderness First Aid, SCUBA, driving standard transmission vehicles and ATVs, working with children

Awards:

- Semifinalist in the 2009 **National Science Foundation's** International Science and Engineering Visualization Challenge, **information graphics** category
- Yosemite National Park Scientific Visualization Fellowship
- Geology Alumni Fund Underclassman Excellence Award
- Art Nomination Scholarship for full four-year tuition at Juniata College
- Holfelt Award for Outstanding Freshman Writer
- Juniata Career Services Intern of the Month, October 2006
- Homer and Will Endowed Scholarship in Biology

Special
Projects:

"Habitat Suitability Mapping of Wood Turtles, *Glyptemys insculpta*, at Raystown Lake"

- Independent field and GIS research
- Presented at Juniata College Liberal Arts Symposium, April 2007

A Guide for Identifying Invasive Species of the Raystown Lake Area

- Hand-illustrated botanical field guide
- Presented at Juniata College Liberal Arts Symposium, April 2008

Employment:

Illustration Intern, Conservation Department (Fall 2009)

National Aquarium, Baltimore, MD

- Illustrated the installation of a turtle excluder device into a crab pot for educational purposes
- Designed a new logo for the Marine Animal Rescue Program
- Created brochure layouts, illustrations, and logos for outreach programs

Scientific Visualization Fellow (Summer 2009)

Sierra Nevada Research Institute, Yosemite National Park, CA

Sea Turtle Tagging Intern (Summer 2008)

University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

Graphic Designer (Spring 2005 – Spring 2008)

Juniata College, Huntingdon PA

- Re-designed Environmental Science Department web pages, posters, and brochures