Marina Prestenbach

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SUMMARY

Detail-oriented Technical Writer and Instructional Designer with 5+ years of experience translating complex concepts into clear, user-friendly content. Proven success creating internal documentation, SOPs, visuals, training materials, and knowledge base articles for companies like Microsoft, TikTok, and Coinbase. Skilled in cross-functional collaboration, version control, and optimizing content for AI and compliance standards. Currently pursuing an M.A. in Instructional Design and Technology, with a strong foundation in HTML, LMS tools, and content strategy. Passionate about building content that empowers users and supports scalable operations.

EDUCATION

University of Central Florida

May 2026

Master of Arts, Instructional Design and Technology (Online program)

GPA: 4.0

University of Louisiana at Lafayette

May 2020

Bachelor of Arts, Mass Communications (Journalism)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Coinbase | (Contractor)

April 2025 - July 2025

AI Content Writer | Transformed the internal knowledge base into structured, AI-optimized content for the Consumer Content team at Coinbase.

- Optimized content for clarity, consistency, and AI interpretability.
- Applied training in AI-driven content strategy to improve internal tooling performance.
- Collaborated with Content, Machine Learning, and Process Specialists.

University of Central Floridal Orlando, FL

January 2025 - March 2025

Instructional Design Graduate Assistant | Developed web course content within Canvas LMS for the Career Services team.

- Created training modules in Canvas LMS.
- Designed digital learning content, infographics, and Materia widgets to support interactive instruction in Canvas LMS.
- Developed the *Work+ Supervisor Onboarding Training* course, recognized as a model by UCF's Center for Distributed Learning.

Microsoft | (Contractor)| Redmond, WA

August 2023 - February 2024

Remote Technical Writer | Authored technical and training manuals for the Office 365 CXP FastTrack 2 Team at Microsoft.

- Developed training documentation and instructional content for enterprise audiences migrating to Office 365.
- Managed content in Azure CMS, utilizing HTML for web-based training solutions and aligning with governance protocols.
- Collaborated with SMEs, engineers, and cross-functional teams to align content with evolving business objectives.

TikTok | (Contractor)| Los Angeles, CA

January 2023 - May 2023

Remote Help Center Content Strategist | Created instructional content on TikTok's Product Help & Education team.

- Led end-to-end content lifecycle in Contentful CMS, optimizing user experience and SEO best practices.
- Collaborated with engineers, legal, developers, and localization teams to ensure content met quality and compliance standards.
- Mentored new technical writers during onboarding and supported content QA during compliance reviews.
- Balanced multiple projects while maintaining accuracy, ensuring content met legal/regulatory review requirements.

POOLCORP | (Contractor) | Covington, LA

September 2022 - January 2023

E-Commerce Content Specialist | Wrote for this Fortune 1000 company, the world's leading wholesale distributor of pool supplies.

- Managed marketing content in inRiver CMS, ensuring alignment with brand voice and SEO strategy.
- Edited and proofread team content; collaborated via Microsoft Teams to streamline workflows.
- Tailored product copy for target audiences, ensuring accuracy and consistency across digital platforms.

Microsoft | (Contractor) | Redmond, WA

August 2021 - June 2022

Remote Technical Writer | Developed training content as part of the Employee Experience Success Team at Microsoft.

- Produced training scripts, PowerPoint presentations, and video content for global employee training.
- Maintained version-controlled repositories in SharePoint and GitHub to streamline access and updates.
- Led user acceptance testing (UAT) to ensure documentation accuracy and usability.
- Facilitated stakeholder content reviews and incorporated feedback to enhance training quality.

Content Marketing Manager | Telecommunications corporation that provides answering services to U.S. and Canadian businesses.

- Developed B2B email templates, infographics, FAQs, blogs, and landing pages in HubSpot CMS.
- Led social media management and monthly content calendar creation, driving engagement.
- Conducted SEO audits and optimized web content to improve KPIs; collaborated with sales and marketing teams.

The Cypress Lake Wire Service | Lafayette, LA

January 2019 - May 2020

Journalist | Created content for public via University's online news platform designed to train journalists.

- Researched, developed, and published news stories adhering to AP style.
- Collaborated with editorial teams via Slack and published stories using Markdown.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Instructional Design & Training Development: eLearning, Storyboarding, Canvas, Materia
- Content Management Systems: Contentful, Azure CMS, HubSpot, WordPress, inRiver
- Technical Skills: HTML, CSS, Figma, Adobe Dreamweaver, Microsoft Suite, Scriptwriting, Video & Audio Editing
- Collaboration Tools & Project Management: SharePoint, GitHub, Jira, Microsoft Teams, Agile, Scrum methodologies
- Visual & Multimedia Tools: Canva, Materia, Adobe Suite, Animaker

PROJECTS

Work+ Supervisor Onboarding Training (UCF, 2025)

- Developed as part of Instructional Design GA role.
- Recognized by UCF's Center for Distributed Learning as a **model non-instructional course** for future IDL6543 cohorts.
- Cited as a standard for professional development design.