



BIO / RELEVANT PRE-STUDIES

BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATIONS

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www.smileplease.it	(Community blog)
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HIGH SCHOOL DEGREE

I've graduated in July 2003 from the experimental class of the italian high-school Liceo Scientifico Gian Domenico Cassini.

This was one of the first high schools of the country to hold experimental courses, including the study of Physics throughout the five years course and of Mathematics applied as a programming language, through the use of laboratories and the study of Pascal programming language.

I graduated with 66/90.

UNIVERSITY DEGREE

I've graduated on March 20, 2007 from a three years (180 credits) University course in Science and Technologies of Communications, in the curriculum of Science of Communications, at the IULM University in Milano, Italy.

My final project was on new media for advertising, and the title of my thesis was "The T-shirt as medium of advertisement".

I graduated with 105/110.

CURRENT STUDIES

Starting from August 2007 i will be part of the upcoming Digital Media 2007 class at [Hyper Island](#) in Karlskrona, Sweden.

The 90 weeks Digital Media course will offer a deep insight on all the aspects of content production with digital medias, focusing on team building and working in groups.

After the taught course, a 30 weeks internship is planned.

RELEVANT WORKING EXPERIENCE

GRAPHIC/WEB DESIGN FREELANCING

I've been working freelance for 3 years now, engaging different kind of projects.

Specifically, i've been involved in website designing and front-end coding (XHTML, PHP and CSS preferably), integration with Content Management Systems (g.e.: Movable Type and Wordpress).

I've developed corporate identities and logotypes for small companies and local retail shops.

I took part to different graphic design competitions and online magazine submissions. I've been awarded with a Mention of Honor in Netdiver's first Digital Art Competition (September 2006).

I've acquired skills with professional graphic software like Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Illustrator, Adobe InDesign.

I can work on both Mac or Windows platforms and have a good knowledge of OSX.

A partial collection of my works can be found at: www.serioussituations.com



RELEVANT WORKING EXPERIENCE (CONTINUED)

PHOTOGRAPHY

I worked as assistant with a studio photographer one year part-time, and i've acquired still life and portraiture skills.

I've been shooting action shots for online and printed skating magazines (Be-Mag, Rolls) since 2006.

Some of my photographs can be viewed at:

www.flickr.com/photos/simonemagurno/

FILMMAKING & MOTION GRAPHICS

I've written, filmed and edited two skating videos (GK1 "We'll make you say Roock", 1999 and GK2 "Hot Wheels", 2001).

Footage was captured with a 3CCD camera and editing was made in Final Cut and iMovie.

WRITING

I've been writing daily from short to lengthy articles for the online publication Smileplease (www.smileplease.it) since 2005 (more than a thousand in two years). Smileplease is a registered online publication with ISSN number: 1825-9979.

Published articles included debating on technology or design issues, products reviews, personal concerns.

LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

ENGLISH

I have an excellent knowledge of English, spoken and written.

I took the TOEFL test on the 21st of April 2007, achieving the final grade of 112/120.

Partial grades were distributed as follows.

Reading: level high (22-30)

Listening: level high (22-30)

Speaking about familiar topics: good (3.5-4)

Speaking about campus situations: good (3.5-4)

Speaking about academic course content: fair (2.5-3)

Writing based on reading and listening: good (4-5)

Writing based on knowledge experience: good (4-5)

SPANISH

I can speak and write spanish with confidence.

My knowledge is certified by a four modules course which i've taken during my university studies.

ITALIAN

Excellent knowledge of both spoken and written (mother tongue).