

Adrian Antonio Enzastiga

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SKILLSET OVERVIEW

Proficient playwright, screenwriter and filmmaker specializing in stories about adventure, identity, and social justice. Dedicated to exploring diverse storytelling and helping fellow artists develop their unique voices.

EDUCATION

The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

Fall 2023-Present

MFA, Playwriting

- Anticipated completion: Spring 2026

The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

Fall 2018-Spring 2022

BA, Majors in English & Creative Writing and Screenwriting Arts; Minors in Theater and Cinematic Arts

- GPA: 3.91/4.0
- Dean's List Fall 2018-Spring 2021; President's List Fall 2021-Spring 2022

WORK EXPERIENCE

Rhetoric Instructor, The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

Summer 2024-Present

- Curated reading lists and developed lesson plans to comply with course curriculum guidelines
- Taught biweekly 20-student two-hour classes for RHET:1030, required for all undergraduate students
- Evaluated formal assignments such as speeches, argumentative essays, and creative projects to meet course learning objectives around reading, speaking, and writing

Riverside Playmakers Project Co-Instructor, Riverside Theater, Iowa City, IA

Fall 2023, Summer 2024

- Co-taught afterschool and summer playwriting workshops for elementary schoolers to better understand playwriting, theater, and new play development
- Assisted students in writing and developing six-minute plays for public performance
- Directed ten student-written plays with professional actors, rehearsals, and several shows

Between the Lines Camp Counselor, The International Writing Program, Iowa City, IA

Fall 2023, Summer 2024

- Facilitated daily arts and writing activities for a group of twenty high-school aged students to promote creativity and cultural exchange between local and international students
- Enforced quiet hours and performed nightly room checks to ensure student safety

Graduate Teaching Assistant, The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

Fall 2023-Summer 2024

- Led discussion sections for THTR:2411 History of Theater and Drama to help students better engage and think critically about the texts
- Took attendance and graded weekly research presentations, discussion posts, midterm exams, and final papers

Emergency Rental Assistance Coordinator, Physicians CareConnection, Columbus, OH

Fall 2022-Summer 2023

- Facilitated conversations between tenants and landlords to prevent eviction filings
- Assisted up to 32 clients a week in completing applications for rental and utility assistance programs
- Responded to office voicemails made outside referrals to ensure that clients' needs were met
- Managed social media pages to promote company programs and community events

Script Coverage Intern, Legacy Pictures, Los Angeles, CA

Spring 2022-Fall 2022

- Researched and organized company contacts for business development outreach
- Provided in-depth coverage on weekly screenplays to assess production value and provide creative feedback
- Presented project ideas to the development team for use in pitches to Disney and the Food Network

Resident Advisor, University of Iowa Housing & Dining, Iowa City, IA

Summer 2019-Summer 2022

- Managed dorm floor of 50+ college freshman to provide academic and mental health support
- Responded to mental health crises and medical emergencies for dorm of 900+ residents
- Facilitated structured conversations about DEI with residents to cultivate an inclusive community

ICDOCS, Iowa City Documentary Film Festival, Iowa City, IA

Spring 2020

- Collaborated to design festival logo and artwork for website, t-shirts, and social media outreach
- Viewed and scored film submissions under consideration for festival admission

Arts Reporter, The Daily Iowan, Iowa City, IA

Summer 2018-Summer 2019

- Pitched stories, interviewed sources, and wrote on local festivals, performances, and special events

- Wrote and published 2-3 stories per week after incorporating feedback from editor

AWARDS

Theatre Summer Research Support Award, *The University of Iowa Department of Theater Arts* Summer 2024

- Granted \$2,800 to study drag and queer history in New York City for research on a new play

UIF David & Jean Schaal Scholarship, *The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA* Fall 2023-Summer 2024

- For living expenses and fees associated with the Iowa Playwrights Workshop

Rosa Parks Playwriting Award, *Kennedy Center Theater Festival, Des Moines, IA*

Winter 2024

- Recognizes the outstanding student or faculty-written play on the subject of social justice and/or civil rights

Nathan Louis Jackson Playwriting Award, *Kennedy Center Theater Festival, Des Moines, IA* Winter 2024

- Recognizes the outstanding full-length play written by a student of color, on the subject of family and community

UI National Scholars Award, *The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA* Fall 2018-Spring 2022

- Scholarship based on outstanding academic merit and exceptional promise at the University of Iowa

American Family Insurance Dreams Foundation Scholarship, *AmFam Holdings, Inc.* Fall 2018-Spring 2022

UI Advantage Iowa Scholarship, *The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA* Fall 2018-Spring 2022

OTHER EXPERIENCE

Master Builder, *Ohio LEGO User Group (LUG), Columbus, OH* Fall 2022-Spring 2024

- Built original Lego models and helped organize Lego displays for local museums, libraries, and schools
- Led Lego building workshops and acted as a judge at Deer Run Elementary Lego building competition
- Awarded second prize in statewide adult Legoland building competition
- Contestant candidate for Fox's *Lego Masters* Season 2

Volunteer Dungeon Master, *Science Center of Iowa Makers Fair, Des Moines, IA*

Fall 2023

- Ran hour-long Dungeons and Dragons adventure modules for kids aged 8-18
- Helped children create D&D characters for roleplay activities to promote growth and creative development

Club President, *Iowa Quidditch Club, The University of Iowa* Fall 2018-Spring 2022

- Managed club funds, paperwork, team rosters, and social media pages to adhere with university guidelines
- Promoted gender inclusivity for Quidditch as a co-ed sport
- Led "Kidditch" events to teach elementary school kids how to play Quidditch
- Led a fundraising initiative which sold over \$800 in Quidditch merchandise and apparel