

MATTHEW WALTHER

FAILURE AT WORK

OpenTHC – *Maintainer*

MAY 2018 – PRESENT, SEATTLE, WA

- I do not think that I communicate the fundamental issues the cannabis industry is facing with respect to traceability, data integrity, or privacy very well on the channels that I engage.
- When working with overseas clients, I have not always clearly communicated an understanding of the difference in currency values.
- All of my missteps with existing clients boil down to confusion between the differences of customers and clients.

Discuss.io – *Software Engineer*

AUGUST 2016 – MAY 2019, SEATTLE, WA

- Did not form a better relationship with management, which would have allowed for better communication about team health, and my role within that team.
- Tried to be a toxic colleague's on-premises therapist, once.
- Pulled a solo all-nighter on a perceived high-risk bug that I had introduced into the product

San Diego City College – *Supplementary Instructor*

JANUARY 2015 – MAY 2016, SAN DIEGO, CA

- I spent a lot of time trying to over explain the eleven algebraic axioms to people, until I learned they took better to listing them all out, and walking through each step of a problem.
- I wish I could have reengaged this important alma mater for me on a level that could have helped other struggling students learn how to make educational plans.

Home Depot #0658 – *Sales Associate*

AUGUST 2007 – JANUARY 2015, CHULA VISTA, CA

- I spent a lot of time learning some of their specialized business systems which have no actual use.
- I should be fluent in Spanish because of this place, but I am not.
- I wish I had spent more time listening to my colleagues talk about store #0658's history of attempting to unionize, and not investigating other store's attempts.

FAILURE AT SCHOOL

San Diego State University – *BSc., Applied Mathematics*

AUGUST 2014 – JUNE 2016, SAN DIEGO, CA

- SDSU was only viable university I could have attended, both academically and in order to meet personal goals; I spent a lot of time during the transfer process worrying about getting into other universities.
- I regret not spending more time in these departments:
 - Arts & Graphic Design
 - Foreign Language & Communication
 - Business & Actuarial Sciences

San Diego City College – *Associates in Mathematics*

AUGUST 2014 – JUNE 2014, SAN DIEGO, CA

- I wasted more time repeating courses I had been prohibited from repeating at Southwestern College.
- Continued to attend school without an educational plan for the majority of my time here.
- I was not accepted into MESA program, and never tried to re-engage the organization.

Southwestern Community College – *No Degree Awarded*

AUGUST 2007 – MAY 2013, CHULA VISTA, CA

- Did not form an educational plan for any of my time here
- Did not find a work-school-life balance
- Repeated some remedial classes several times
- Placed on academic probation twice

DISHONORABLE MENTION

CV of Failures – *Author*

2016, 2020

- I could not recover the original TeX source code to republish this CV with the original format.
- Missed EOY 2019 deadline for this revision.

Smartable – *Engineering / Product*

2017

- Consulted with a mentor that resulted in the project founder feeling like I had made a violation against my NDA.
- Did not effectively communicate the value of the customer research conducted by the team before they had secured some kind of value exchange.

Whozawhat.com – *Project Lead*

2012 – 2015

- As of writing, I have not responsibly shut down the deprecated services.
- Spent way too much time writing the forum engine.
- Did not find a way to effectively communicate with the people that were signing in.

Sierra Mountain Bike Co. – *Classmate # 817382989*

SDSU SPRING SEMESTER 2016

- The entire team neglected to use a node package manager, and ZIP versioned our meteor.js builds for project deliverable dates.

Image Tampering Detection – *Classmate # 817382989*

SDSU SPRING SEMESTER 2016

- Part of what I built went was completely unnecessary because of the difference in the course's design, and the research specifications the group was working from.
- This was an extra course that I took in which the time expenditure negatively impacted my performance in my required courses.

Amerika Labs – *Co-founder*

2007 – 2011

- I did not know how to code, and this was my very first software project. I had to write a lot of code, because I did not know how to abstract a lot of problems.
- This project started with a “build it and they will come” kind of vision. Ultimately, the project built things that were not useful, or even fun, for the people it was trying to attract.
- The team completely failed to keep track of and strategize the work going into the project.