

# Aaron Kent

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## Education

**Bachelor of Science, International Rescue and Relief**

*Union College*

**May, 2008**

*Lincoln, Nebraska*

**M.S.Ed., Outdoor Education**

*Southern Adventist University*

**April, 2011**

*Collegedale, Tennessee*

## Experience

**Instructor Trainer: Rope, Swiftwater**

*Rescue 3 International*

**2018-Current**

- Delivers courses in Instructional Pedagogy in Rope and Water Rescue.

**Instructor: Rope, Swiftwater, and Ice Rescue**

*Rescue 3 International*

**2010-Current**

- Delivers course content in the following disciplines:
  - Rope Rescue: (Specialist Level)
  - Swiftwater Rescue: (Advanced Level)
  - Ice Rescue: (Technician Level)
  - Management of Flood and Water Incidents
  - Searching Rivers and Floods
- Responsible for maintaining records

**Director of Operations**

*Arroyo Rescue & Recreational Training*

**2015-Current**

- Monitors instructor development and maintenance for Rescue 3 Southwest.
- Promotes Classes and Material.
- Maintains website.
- Teaches CPR and First Aid.
- Coordinates Schedule.
- Office Manager.

**Lead Instructor: Wilderness Medicine**

*Wilderness Medicine Training Center*

**2012-Current**

- Wilderness Medicine curriculum delivered for University of Nebraska, Union College, the Northwest Outward Bound School (NWOBS), and Outward Bound California (OBCA), Pacific Lutheran College, The JUMP! Foundation, the Nebraska Emergency Management Agency, and The Evergreen State College.

**Curriculum Development Assistant**

*Wilderness Medicine Training Center*

**2016-Current**

- Modifying existing wilderness Medicine curriculum to include Disaster Response.
- Coordinating expert opinions in editing medical curriculum.

**Assistant Professor: Technical Rescue & Outdoor Education** **2010-2017**

*Union College*

- Designs, manages, and implements curriculum for the following classes:
  - Search and Rescue
  - Principals of Emergency Management
  - Global Health
  - Wilderness Upgrade for Medical Professionals
  - Expeditionary Leadership
  - Cultural Integration and International Development
- Training and organizing Union College's Disaster Relief Team (DiRT) with disaster responses to the Philippines, Haiti, Alabama, and Hurricanes Sandy, Ike, and Katrina.
- Manager of instructor progression candidate program.
- Overseas Semester Program Director, Nicaragua, 10 years.
- Summer Technical Rescue Program Director, Colorado, 11 years.
- Responsible for developing and introducing 19 credits of new class material in the following courses:
  - Expeditionary Leadership
  - Climbing Wall Management
  - Expeditionary Technology
  - Adventure-based Counseling
  - Expeditionary Logistics
  - Expeditionary Teaching
  - Principles of Emergency Management
  - Cultural Integration and Language Acquisition

**Rock Climbing and Canyoneering Guide**

**2011-2012**

*Moab Cliffs and Canyons*

- Led both children and adults in backcountry rock climbing and canyoneering trips.
- Organized, cleaned, and logged equipment utilized in trips.

**International Rescue and Relief Graduate Assistant**

**2008-2010**

*Union College*

- Recruiting trips for the program.
- Operated Logistical Support for overseas semester.
- Sponsor, International Rescue & Relief/Outdoor Club (IRROC).

**Challenge Course Director**

**2007**

*Leoni Meadows Camp*

*Grizzly Flats, California*

- Maintained the high rope course and climbing wall.
- Facilitated individuals and groups through team building activities.
- Risk management and personnel statement.
- Trained new ropes course personnel.

## **Interests**

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- Risk Management
- Curriculum Development
- Program Marketing
- International Development
- International Travel
- Outdoor Recreation

## **Related Experience**

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- Grew up in Papua New Guinea.
- Multiple development working trips to Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, and Venezuela.
- Led group trips to Honduras and Nicaragua.
- Disaster relief trips to Haiti and the Philippines.
- Instruction delivered in Thailand and Costa Rica.
- Boys director in orphanage in Venezuela.
- Conversational Spanish.

## **Additional Certifications and Awards**

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- FEMA NIMS: Incident Command Structure 100 & 200
- United Nations: Building A Better Response
- Rescue 3 International Instructor of the Year: 2018

## **References**

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- **Vince Moffitt**
  - Founder and Owner, Arroyo Rescue & Recreational Training
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- **Aaron Ball**
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