

TARA HAVILAND, PROJECT MANAGER



Tara Haviland, a LEED Accredited Professional, is a Project Manager for Green Ideas Environmental Building Consultants and serves as Materials Specialist providing support for building owners, architects, engineers and contractors who build high performance, sustainable buildings. Tara provides project management and product research; develops LEED credit strategies; collects, manages and submits LEED documentation; serves as a liaison for team members on technical issues; provides insight on innovative sustainable technologies; clarifies and interprets the LEED rating system and facilitates communications with the U.S. Green Building Council.

Tara received her Bachelor's Degree of Liberal Arts and Sciences from Arizona State University in Tempe. After graduating she entered the business world as a Project Manager for the industrial engineering and manufacturing company. In this position Tara developed a sophisticated method of tracking productivity of operations and streamlined production throughout the company. She was also responsible for generating a nationwide employee handbook for the parent company. Tara was later given the opportunity to expand her experience as a Project Manager and was employed by Vuria Creative Technology. In addition to gaining valuable understanding of computer technology she honed her leadership skills as the lead Project Manager for the programming and design teams.

EDUCATION

MS, Environmental Technology Management, ASU Polytechnic

BS, Liberal Arts and Sciences, European and Asian History, ASU Tempe

AA, Southern Virginia University, Buena Vista, Virginia

AFFILIATIONS

U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC), LEED Accredited Professional

Tara eventually re-entered scholastic life by returning to ASU for a Masters of Science in Environmental Technology Management at the Polytechnic Campus in Mesa. Her background has given her in-depth understanding of the regulations and organizations that have formed national and international environmental law and policy; toxicology; chemistry of hazardous and organic materials; land remediation; waste management; sustainable energy and innovative environmental technology.

During graduate school Tara accepted an internship with a local environmental building supply company where she gained valuable experience, understanding and knowledge of environmental building technologies, strategies and materials. Tara's experience and her personal interests have been instrumental in developing a new service package targeting product manufacturers who aim to have their products used on LEED projects. The services include a sophisticated database for material selection, LEED documentation services, liaison to the U.S. Green Building Council and educational seminars.

