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STRENGTHS

- ♥️ **Safe material handling**
Repeated lifting practice built steady habits for handling materials up to 75 pounds during field assignments.
- 📌 **Field documentation**
Route inventories and maintenance logs kept simulated sign conditions clear, searchable, and ready for instructor review.
- 🎧 **Radio communication**
UHF practice made location and work status updates concise, timely, and easy for crews to follow.
- 🔧 **Equipment awareness**
Pre assignment inspections helped identify tool and equipment defects before outdoor work began.
- 🌲 **Outdoor adaptability**
Changing field conditions required practical planning, steady focus, and willingness to adjust inspection routines.

SKILLS

Sign installation Sign maintenance

Hand tools GPS UHF radio

Forklift safety Safe lifting

Route planning

Equipment inspection

Email communication

Computer use Asset inventory

Post alignment

Hardware replacement

Field documentation

LANGUAGES

English

Native

SUMMARY

Early career highway sign maintenance candidate with supervised field training in roadway sign installation, repair, inspection, and asset documentation. Practical work includes sign layout, post alignment, hardware replacement, GPS route records, hand tools, training post driving equipment, forklift safety, UHF radio etiquette, computer use, email, and safe handling of materials up to 75 pounds. Academic field assignments covered urban and rural route conditions, visibility checks, work zone awareness, equipment inspections, and changing outdoor conditions. Holds a current **Class D Chauffeur's License** and **OSHA 10 Hour Construction Safety** certification. Reliable documentation and safety practices support **shift work**, night work, travel, overtime, **emergency call outs**, and regional highway operations.

EDUCATION

Associate of Applied Science in Highway and Transportation Technology

Northwest Arkansas Community College 🎓 GPA: 3.5 📅 2026 📍 Bentonville, AR

Coursework: *Roadway sign systems, transportation safety, field operations, equipment inspection*

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- **Sign Systems:** Highway signs, sign supports, sign mounting
- **Hand Tools:** Wrenches, drills, levels
- **Post Driving Equipment:** Gasoline post driver, auger, alignment tools
- **Material Handling:** Forklift, safe lifting, load movement
- **Radio Communication:** UHF radio, call procedures, radio etiquette
- **Field Navigation:** GPS devices, route planning, waypoint records
- **Digital Communication:** Computers, email, mobile phones
- **Asset Documentation:** Sign inventory, condition logs, maintenance priorities
- **Safety Practices:** OSHA construction safety, equipment inspection, work zone awareness
- **Transportation Operations:** Urban routes, rural routes, state routes

EXPERIENCE

Highway Sign Maintenance Project Trainee

University Project 📅 January 2026 to September 2026 📍 Fayetteville, AR

Supported supervised highway sign maintenance simulations across route documentation, **sign installation**, **equipment inspection**, safe material handling, and radio communication. Completed field records for instructor review while practicing methods relevant to regional roadway operations.

- Documented replacement priorities across a simulated 18 mile route using condition observations and GPS records.
- Practiced post alignment, sign mounting, and hardware replacement with **hand tools** during supervised field exercises.
- Built a GPS **sign inventory** and organized records for instructor review through computer and **email**.
- Completed repeated material handling exercises up to 75 pounds using safe lifting practices.
- Used training UHF radios for location, work status, and equipment updates with proper radio etiquette.
- Inspected tools and equipment before outdoor assignments, then documented observed defects for review.

Transportation Field Operations Lab Trainee

Student Lab 📅 August 2025 to December 2025 📍 Fayetteville, AR

Completed supervised transportation field labs focused on roadway sign recognition, maintenance planning, forklift procedures, route observations, field records, and **safe work practices**. Adapted assignments for outdoor conditions while communicating findings through mobile devices and

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MONTHS

- email.
- Completed supervised roadway sign recognition labs and identified maintenance priorities from field observations.
 - Practiced **forklift** inspection and material movement procedures within a controlled training environment.
 - Used **GPS devices** and mobile phones to navigate routes and record multi site observations.
 - Prepared maintenance logs and emailed completed records to instructors for review.
 - Practiced hand tool selection and sign support installation with defined safety checks.
 - Completed outdoor labs requiring physical stamina and adaptation to changing field conditions.

Roadway Sign Asset Inventory Student

Capstone Project



January 2025 to May 2025



Fayetteville, AR

- Created a supervised roadway sign inventory project covering sign condition, location, visibility, maintenance priority, **route planning**, radio procedures, and repair simulations. Presented organized findings and recommended inspection sequencing to faculty reviewers.
- Designed an inventory for 120 simulated roadway signs with condition and maintenance priority fields.
 - Evaluated urban and rural sign placement scenarios for visibility and field accessibility.
 - Created a GPS waypoint route plan for supervised inspection stops across multiple locations.
 - Tested radio call procedures for location updates and task completion during field simulations.
 - Completed mock sign **repair** and hardware replacement tasks with safe hand tool practices.
 - Presented the final inventory and maintenance plan to faculty reviewers for evaluation.

PROJECTS

Route Sign Visibility Review

2025

Improved inspection planning through simulated urban and rural sign reviews, visibility checks, GPS waypoints, and documented maintenance priorities.

Field Equipment Safety Practice

2026

Applied safe lifting, forklift inspection, hand tool selection, equipment checks, and radio procedures during supervised outdoor training.

LEADERSHIP & AWARDS

- Dean's List recognition, Spring 2026
- Transportation Technology Program Safety Recognition, 2026
- Student Field Project Merit Award, 2025

CERTIFICATIONS

- Class D Chauffeur's License  2026
- OSHA 10 Hour Construction Safety  2026

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Transportation Technology Peer Safety Team, student member
- Campus Service Day Roadway Cleanup, volunteer coordinator

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Work Status : Authorized to work in United States. No sponsorship required.

REFERENCES

AVAILABLE ON REQUEST