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EDUCATION

University of Pennsylvania, Graduate School of Education, Philadelphia, PA
Master of Science in Education, December 2002

- Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) Program
- Selected by faculty as a TESOL Resource Leader in 2002
- Cumulative GPA: 3.84/4.0

Kwansei Gakuin University, Nishinomiya, Japan
Bachelor of Arts in Education, March 1997

- Teaching Certificate in English for middle and high school
- Cumulative GPA: 3.68/4.0

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Adjunct Faculty, Broward Community College, Coconut Creek, FL, *January 2004 – August 2004*

- Taught courses in Reading/ESL Department: Advanced Composition, Introduction to English for Academic Purposes, and Preparatory Reading.
- Taught College Preparatory Writing Skills in English Department.

ESL Instructor, Languages in Company (LAICO), Weston, FL, *January 2004 – August 2004*

- Instructed various levels of Spanish-speaking students in small groups.
- Created a customized program for a president of a consulting company.

ESL Tutor, Literacy Volunteers of America, Charlottesville, VA, *January 2003 – May 2003*

- Received training as a literacy tutor; tutored an ESL student from Korea.

ESL Instructor, Southeast Asian Mutual Assistance Associations Coalition (SEAMAAC), Philadelphia, PA, *October 2001 – December 2002*

- Developed original materials to teach Basic English and literacy skills to elderly Liberian refugees.
- Led intermediate and advanced classes in daily conversation and grammar as a substitute teacher.

Teaching Assistant, University City High School, Philadelphia, PA, *October 2001 – May 2002*

- Instructed ESOL students in reading and writing.

English Teacher, Kwansei Gakuin Junior High School, Nishinomiya, Japan, *April 1997 – March 2001*

- Prepared class and examination materials.
- Taught English Grammar to 7th, 8th and 9th graders.
- Coached students for English speech contests.
- Served as a homeroom teacher, providing personal and academic advising.

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

Translator, <http://richscience.net/>, *January 2003*

- Translated an e-book, "The Science of Getting Rich," from English to Japanese.

Graduate Assistant, Office of International Programs, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA, *January 2002 – December 2002*

- Organized workshops, "Know Before You Go" sessions.
- Revised booklet, *Diversity of Experiences: Voices of Penn Abroad*.
- Assisted with research on "Studying Abroad, Africa" project.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Graduate School of Education, University of Pennsylvania

- Japanese Students Association: Vice President, *May – December 2002*
- GSE International Students Orientation Committee: Workshop Leader, *September 2002*

Counseling Association for Kansai Private Schools

- Chosen as a reporter and a speaker for teachers' in-service training session, *1997 and 2001*

Kwansei Gakuin University Symphonic Band

- Selected as a trainer for freshmen, *April 1994 – December 1996*
- Played french horn, *April 1993 – December 1996*

PERSONAL

- Dual citizen of United States and Japan.
- Fluent in both spoken and written Japanese.

Family Tutor, Hong Kong

January 02–June 03

- ◆ Counseled and tutored a 10-year-old child with autism four times a week. Taught English, Mathematics, Chinese and Science with a story-telling approach, using a lot of visual aids and multimedia tools.

True Light Middle School, Hong Kong

September 00–June 01

English Teacher

- ◆ Taught English to a class of twenty Secondary 3 (Grade 9) students. Designed a teaching program based on British O-Level English curriculum. Designed visual aids to facilitate students' understanding of the teaching material.

ACTIVITIES

Hong Kong Outstanding Students' Association, Hong Kong

June 99–Present

Member (Position attained through competitive selection process)

- ◆ Organized activities for students coming from different secondary schools (high schools) in Hong Kong, including Sex Education Forum, Volunteer Trainings, summer camps, travel and exchange tours, and annual dinners.

History Society of New Asia College, Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong October 01–November 02

Vice-president

- ◆ Organized events including annual book fair, graduation party, annual faculty-student dinner, and intercollegiate field trips for the history students. Held regular meetings to enhance faculty-student relationships.

SKILLS

Language: Fluent in Chinese (both Cantonese and Mandarin), and Shanghai dialect. Conversational Japanese.

Computer: Windows XP/2000/98, MS Word, Excel, PowerPoint. SPSS statistical package. Extensive experience in using PowerPoint to design teaching aids and presentation materials.