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Education

2008-11 Open University, BA Modern Language Studies (French & Spanish), 2:1

2010-11 Mandarin Chinese Studies course, BLCU, Beijing, Pass

2003-4 SOAS, University of London, MSc International Management (China), Merit

1997 Trinity TEFL certificate, Inlingua, pass

1992-6 University of Manchester, BA (Econ) Politics with Economics, 2:2

Work Experience

Consultancy Work T/A Sino-Connections:

2014 - Business Development Consultant - Grandstands Display, UK

A new project which involves acting as the primary interface between the UK and the factories in China in relation to the design and manufacture of new-generation LED and LCD screen products for businesses and special events. This role has necessitated visits to the production in Guangdong. Anticipated future roles include further coordination with the various factories across China as well as involvement in the sale of the products in French and Spanish-speaking territories.

2013-4 Mandarin Chinese>English Translator, Propeller TV, UK

The role involved producing translations of both scripts and audio-visual materials for a Chinese satellite media company. The eclectic range of subject matter included general entertainment, the off-shore financial market, Song-dynasty ceramics, the Imperial Education System, and a programme introducing the sights of London for potential Chinese tourists. In addition, there were supplementary duties including translation of legal contracts.

Other Positions:

2015 – Freelance Chn > Eng Technical Translator, CBG Consulting, Shanghai

Within this role, the main focus is on translating technical articles and manuals, notably in the mobile phone field, and copywriting for marketing projects in the automobile industry.

**2014- Freelance Frn> Eng translator, Eurologos, UK / A plus translations, Canada**

The position has involved carrying out translation work on an ad-hoc basis. The projects have included translating magazine articles and undertaking copywriting work for the fashion and cosmetics industries, translating the principal content for an online gaming website, and performing proofreading and revision work on legal contracts.

2008-9, 2011-3 Teacher, British Study Centres, London

The position involved teaching English to mixed-nationality classes consisting of students aged 16+ and ranging from elementary to advanced level. The principal duties include the preparation and delivery of high standard classes and materials, the ongoing monitoring of the progress of students through assessments and personal interviews in addition to administrative duties including assigning and marking homework, writing student reports and lesson plans as well as participation in regular meetings and Inset sessions. The classes taught included General English, Business courses and English for Academic purposes (IELTS, TOEFL, TOEIC, FCE and CAE).

2004-7 IELTS teacher and writer / Corporate English teacher / Immigration Consultant, Shanghai, China

The key duties were to prepare students for the speaking and writing parts of the IELTS test and to create the necessary materials and activities to enable them to reach their target.

Work-related skills

Languages

* English: Native
* Spanish: Proficiency level
* French: Proficiency level
* Mandarin Chinese: Proficiency level (Oral, Reading, Listening). Proficient in the use of Chinese word processing packages

Translation

Proficient user of CAT software, especially SDL Trados 2014/5 and Wordfast

Other

Good knowledge of contemporary financial and political issues, especially in China and the emerging markets. A wide knowledge of European and Asian cultural, social and artistic history.