Elizabeth Hashimura

Professional Japanese to English Translator

Personal Info

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Translation Profile

A freelance translator based in southern Japan, I have over ten years' experience translating from Japanese into English (my mother tongue). Although my primary area of specialization is the automotive industry, my professional and educational backgrounds have equipped me with the skills and knowledge necessary to translate confidently in a variety of fields.

Services

Translation, Translation Checking, Back Translation, Proofreading and Editing

Translation Experience

Automotive:

- Manuals (specifically GPs), Technical Drawings, Sales Reports and Forecasts for major Japanese automobile manufacturers
- Document discovery for anti-trust litigation

Business:

- Corporate and Environmental Policies, Mission Statements, Business Correspondence Medical and Pharmaceutical:
- Coagulation Analysis Equipment Manual, SOPs (Boehringer Ingleheim)

General:

- Japan National Policy Agency White Paper
- Personal Certificates, General Correspondence

Other:

Children's Books

Publications

- KUSABA, Kazuhisa. .ヌチヌグスージ 「いのちのまつり」。Festival of Life: Where do I come from? (Bilingual Version) . 2004 Saga Printing, Inc. (co-translated with KOGA Takeo)
- + A Guidebook to living in Saga. 2004 Saga Prefecture. (co-translator)

Translation Software

- SDL Trados Studio2011 Freelance + 2007
- Wordfast Classic
- OCR-IRIS Pro 12 Asian

Education

- University of Cambridge, Cambridge, England
 MPhil (CANTAB) in Social Anthropology and Linguistics, 1998
- Haverford College, Haverford, Pennsylvania, USA
 Bachelor of Arts in East Asian Studies (Japanese) with Departmental Honors, 1996

- Sophia University (上智大学), Tokyo, Japan
 Study Abroad Program Participant、Spring 1995
- Middlebury College Intensive Japanese School, Middlebury, Vermont, USA Participated in immersion Japanese language training, Summer 1994

Related Professional Experience

 Interac Group, Fukuoka, Japan Trainer/Instructor, 2007-2012

As a trainer for the Interac Fukuoka branch, I was responsible for organizing and carrying out orientation training for native TEFL teachers working in public and private kindergartens, elementary schools, junior high schools, and high schools working near Fukuoka, Japan. This included presentations and workshops on teaching theory and practice, learner behaviors, syllabus and curriculum planning, lesson planning, and demonstration of teaching techniques and classroom activities.

 Koga Dojo of English Studies (KDES), Saga, Japan Head Teacher, 2003-2006

Designed school's curriculum for a wide variety of students, from elementary school through university Conducted training workshops for school's instructors

Taught a wide array of classes, included TOEIC, TOEFL, Speech, Debate, Medical English, Current Events, Oral Communication, and Drama

In charge of organizing the school's annual speech and dramatic festivals Directed the full-length play "A Thousand Cranes" (performed in English)

- Human Engineering Laboratory, Boston, Massachusetts, USA
 Psychometrist, 1999-2000
 Administered and interpreted aptitude and intelligence tests for clients seeking career counseling
- Consulate General of Japan, Boston, Massachusetts, USA
 Cultural Affairs Intern, 1996

 Assisted consular staff in arranging Japan-related events for the Boston community
 Involved with JET program administration

Credentials and Professional Affiliations

- JLPT (Japanese Language Proficiency Test) Level 1
- JAT (Japan Association of Translators)

