Stephanie Himsley

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Employment History

Feb 2012-current: Translator (IT-EN) (freelance/casual). Brno, Czech Republic; Arpino, Italy.

 Translation of assorted texts from Italian to English: curricula vitae; correspondence; web pages; miscellaneous; pro re nata

July 2011-current: Editor; Language Consultant (freelance/contract). Brno, Czech Republic; Arpino, Italy.

- Editing, proofreading, and copywriting; compilation and revision of reports; general linguistic consultation
- Reviewing wording and formatting of texts to ensure proper use of language and clarity of communication
- Liaison with writers, translators, and client companies, institutions and organisations; networking
- Assisting in developing and maintaining terminology and style guidelines, standards and procedures
- Use of field-specific and technical terminology: academic, fiscal, governmental, historiographical, legal, scientific
- Selected clients and contractors:
 - o Moravian Museum Ethnographic Institute
 - S & K Enterprises (St. Jacob's Ossuary Project)
 - Public Transport Agency of Prague
 - Ecological Legal Service (Czech Republic)
 - o Translation agencies: Lingea; Chicory

August 2011-December 2013: English Teacher. Miramare Language School. Brno, Czech Republic.

- Solicitation of client companies and negotiation with prospective business clients
- Staff recruitment: office administration: coordination of native-speaker colleagues: networking
- Teaching business English: accounting, finance, management, marketing, production and operation, sales
- Preparing students for exams and linguistic certifications
 - o 100% success rate for students who have sat official exams under my tuition

Education

2007-2010: Bachelor's Degree (Arts): Classics and Ancient History. The University of Sydney, Australia

- Subjects: Latin, Roman history, English, psychology; statistics; legal studies; English and French literature
- 2009: June Hartnett Prize for Ancient History

2003-2006: Higher School Certificate. Kempsey High School. Kempsey, Australia

- Advanced English (top band); English extension 1 and 2 (top bands); Ancient History (top band)
- 2006: top mark in the state for novella written as part of leaving certificate

<u>Languages</u>

English: Native **Italian**: Fluent **French**: Conversational **Spanish**: Elementary

Additional Experiences

November 2010-present (intermittent): **Web editor; receptionist; guide**. *Hotel II Cavalier d'Arpino*. Arpino, Italy. November-December 2011: **Receptionist; housekeeper**. *Hotel Posillipo*. Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina. October-November 2010: **Cook; farmhand**. *La Ferme Tournesol*. Saint-Paul-lès-Monestier, France. 2008-2010: **Receptionist; functions assistant**. *Nicholson Museum*. The University of Sydney, Australia. 2008-2010: **Sales and marketing coordinator**. *The University of Sydney Food Cooperative*. Sydney, Australia. 2006-2011 (while studying, travelling): **Barista; waitress**. Australia, Italy, the United Kingdom.

Other travels: Fiji, New Zealand, Malaysia, Thailand, Laos, Cambodia, Vietnam, Germany, the Netherlands, Switzerland, Austria, Slovakia, Croatia, Hungary, Greece, China.

Skills

Independent

- Attention to detail
 - o providing technical expertise for quality control of communication materials
 - o editing texts to specific semantic and thematic criteria; maintaining consistency throughout
 - setting high standards for quality of work and consistently achieving project goals
- Time management
 - dealing with large volumes of work under pressure; execution of multiple projects simultaneously
 - o repeatedly proven ability to produce and deliver high-quality results to strict deadlines
- Report writing
 - revision of translated reports in a number of fields; preparation of course and student evaluations
- Marketing; Sales; Promotion
 - successful negotiation of strong competition in local editing industry due to research/benchmarking
 - o coordination of sales, promotion, and services in food cooperative; working to highly variable budget
 - extensive use of social media for promotion: editing, teaching, food co-operative, leisure activities

Interpersonal

- Communication and negotiation
 - self promotion and networking in freelance work; communication of ideas to variety of language levels
 - extensive practice teaching language structure and usage across a range of levels
 - o negotiation with outside organisations with regards to order and supply
 - constant personal interaction as teacher and waitress; extensive secretarial telephone experience
- Professional relationships
 - o ability to establish and maintain good relationships with internal and external counterparts
 - o maintaining a substantial and growing list of satisfied editing and teaching clients
 - o recruitment and orientation of teaching staff, including frequent social networking
 - o working in multicultural/multidisciplinary environments; respect and sensitivity for diversity
- Customer service and satisfaction
 - revising and editing texts to meet specific and highly varied client demands
 - setting and reaching language skill targets, coaching students in order to satisfy strict exam criteria
- Teamwork; personnel instruction and coordination
 - o organisation of and liaison with fellow teachers; team collaboration; extensive networking
 - class management; coordination and support of teaching colleagues; supervision of waitstaff

Computer/Technical

- Microsoft Office Suite (Word/Excel/Powerpoint/Outlook/Access): proficient
- Social networks; online administrative database; journal archives: extensive experience
- SEO: conceptual

Additional characteristics and competencies

- Dynamic; creative; adaptable; organised; efficient; motivated; goal oriented; productive; quick learner
- Accomplished equestrienne (state level); experienced hiker; avid reader; passionate cook

All references available upon request