Jarrod Shepherd

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Summary

German-English translator and language professional for business, marketing and technology translation and localization. Conscientious writer and proofreader with a nuanced understanding of both the German and English languages and cultures with years of translation experience using many different CAT tools. Diverse background in technical and creative texts. Detail-oriented team player with effective troubleshooting and problem-solving skills.

Work Experience

March 2016 – present **German-English Freelance Translator**

- Translation of technical, business, and marketing documents, including business documentation and correspondence, technical reports and specifications and marketing texts
- Nuanced understanding of both German and English giving me the ability to correctly and concisely communicate the author's message and instructions
- Stylistic and grammatical improvement of all types of text
- Experience with SDL Trados Studio, MemoQ, Star Transit NXT, and Omega T
- Thorough evaluation and proofreading of the translation against the original
- Delivery of projects before the deadline and in the correct format
- Proofreading and editing translations and writing by other authors
- Full-time translation work beginning in this period
- Since 2003, practical translation experience, including university courses / master's thesis and various projects dealing with general texts, contracts, and credentials while working as a freelance English instructor

Oct 2006 – Feb 2016 Freelance English Instructor

• English language instruction in Munich, Germany, for students of all levels and from diverse professional and linguistic backgrounds

Education

2004 – 2006 Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio USA
 Master of Arts in German, Department of Germanic Languages and Literatures
 Master's thesis focus on Translation Studies

 2003 – 2004 Humboldt Universität, Berlin, Germany
 Student Exchange Program in German Studies

 1998 - 2003 Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas USA
 Bachelor of Arts in German and Mathematics, magna cum laude

Languages

English Native

German Fluent / C2 (Zentrale Oberstufenprüfung des Goethe Instituts)

Qualifications and Awards

2003	Certificate in English Language Teaching to Adults (CELTA) British Council, Istanbul, Turkey
2003 – 2004	Austauschstipendium / Student Exchange Program Humboldt Universität, Berlin, Germany
1998 - 2003	Presidential Scholarship Honors College, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas

Skills

- SDL Trados Studio
- MemoQ
- Star Transit NXT
- Omega T
- Various common online CAT tools
- Microsoft Office Suite
- Excellent organizational and interpersonal skills
- Teamwork with project managers and fellow translators
- Analytical skills and focus on linguistic details