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***Professional Profile***

Enthusiastic about teaching the English language to international students in a communicative and student-centered atmosphere.

* Experience in teaching English language acquisition in reading, speaking, and writing instruction.
* Dedicated to providing quality instruction through preparation and with a commitment to learning.

***Education & Certifications***

**TEFL Certified University of California Riverside 2011**

Teaching practicum: 160 in class hrs. focused around a student-centered, communicative environment emphasizing current second language teaching theories, methodology and pedagogy. A variety of innovative strategies were used teaching English learners from Japanese, Swedish and Arabic speaking countries.

**B.A. Social Sciences, Sociology & Institution Development**

San Diego State University, San Diego CA, 2010

**Recipient of the Thomas Riviera Scholarship**

***Teaching Experience***

**Jiangmen No. 1 Middle School**

Jiangmen, Guangdong Province, People’s Republic of China

2013-2014

Teacher and Head Coordinator of English Curriculum for Grades 1, 2 & 3. Grade 3 curriculum is largely based and developed around preparation for the Chinese High School Exit Exam, College entrance exams and readiness for taking the ITELS exam.

**Zi Cha**

2014- Present

Instructor of primary students in communicative English. Jiangmen, Guangdong, PRC.

**American Indian Recruitment Higher Education Program**

San Diego, CA. UCSD, USD, SDSU Participation

2009-2010

Taught Middle School and High School level students in a unique and progressive educational program, advising them to the advantages of higher education and in several cases helping them through the university application process. Worked one on one with students and mentored in formal class setting.

**Environment California**

2005-2006

Worked with Environment California, lobbing to State Legislators and the public to pass AB 32, California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006.

Taught classes and held seminars for both the organization and to the public consulting them on the California energy crisis, relevant legislation and solutions.

***Informal Educational Positions***

**Reid Park / Parks & Recreation Physical Education Department Riverside, CA**

1997-2003

-Basketball Head Coach/ Programs Leader / Coordinator

-Soccer Head Coach Children’s Program

**Personal Tutor to the Wolfe Family**

2008-2011 Reading comprehension & Writing proficiency for Elementary age students.

**Personal Tutor to the Li Family**

2014-Present Personal tutor in advanced conversational English

***Callaway Vineyard and Winery Temecula, CA***

2010-2013

Taught seminars on agricultural sustainability in regards to wine production in both the grape growing and wine making process.

Docent and liaison for Callaway Winery.

***Work History & Personal and Professional References available upon request***

***Applicable Skills*** Familiar with Computer Assisted Language Learning as well as CPR and First Aid certified