# Steven A. Bowman

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## **QUALITIES**

- · Highly detail-oriented; skilled at editing literature for grammar and flow
- Familiar with MS Office and Adobe Photoshop; fast learner of new programs/systems; 95 wpm
- Enthusiastic about working and communicating with others easily and productively
- Experience in building international interpersonal relationships; learning customs
- Skilled in both customer service and public speaking; clear and understandable diction
- 3 years written and oral Mandarin Chinese language experience
- · French language fluency, 11 years academic experience

## **EDUCATION**

Sep 2006 – Aug 2010

University of California, Riverside, Riverside, CA
Bachelor of Arts degree: Language major
Concentrations: French and Chinese literature and language

Jun 2008 - Aug 2008

University of California, Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA
Intermediate-Level Chinese Intensive Language Program

Sep 2002 - Jun 2006

Alameda High School, Alameda, CA
High School Diploma

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Mar 2010 – Jun 2010

Special Studies with Professor *Yenna Wu*, Director of Asian Languages and Civilizations at UCR, in Contemporary Chinese Literature

- Contemporary works of Chinese fiction and criticism thereof
- Individual work with the professor to produce a report based on this research

## WORK EXPEREINCE

Oct 2005 - May 2006

Office Assistant, Alameda Publishing Group, Oakland, CA

- Utilized a variety of software, including Microsoft Office and FileMaker Pro to maintain and organize data.
- Distribution of literature to neighborhood businesses and dissemination locations
- Processing, sorting, and inventory of incoming print shipments
- Stockroom structuring post-relocation in June 2006

Jun 2006 - Sep 2006

Temporary Assistant, Lake Merritt Dental (formerly Nobu Dental), Oakland, CA

- Extensive correspondence (case compilation and letter drafting) with IRS due to transition-of-management tax and accounting issues
- Used QuickBooks to practice general accounting and produce income reports
- Marketing strategy and online image development (web 2.0 and promotional services)

Jun 2007 - Sep 2007 Server, *Xyclo Restaurant*, Oakland, CA Jun 2008 - Aug 2008 Graphic Designer and Consultant, Bowman Consulting, Alameda, CA Worked with Adobe Photoshop and Microsoft Publisher to create pamphlets, brochures, and flyers for real estate offerings and Realtor copywriting May 2009 - Present English Tutor and Cultural Liaison, Self-Employed While in Riverside, held private English tutoring sessions in advanced written and spoken English, editing college-level compositions for grammatical correctness After leaving Riverside, maintaining correspondence with both previous and new international students, providing virtual tutoring assistance Sep 2010 - Present Project Manager/Admin Assistant, Alameda Publishing Group, Alameda, CA Creating and managing a database of advertisers in a parenting publication with circulation of more than 30,000 Proofreading ads and remaining in frequent contact with advertisers to prepare ads for publication **EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES** Mar 2008 – Jun 2010 Conversation Partner/Tutor, UC Riverside International Exchange Program, Riverside, CA Interacted with over 20 students, primarily from China, Korea, and Japan, on a frequent basis (4x/week) Assisted in building skills in English conversation as well as American culture Jun 2009 Community Disaster Education, American Red Cross of Greater LA, Los Angeles, CA Dec 2008 Volunteer, Alameda Family Service League, Alameda, CA Designed brochure for Holiday Home Tour 2008: photographed Home Tour homes, compiled images, general copywriting Sep 1994 - Jun 2006 Junior Assistant Scoutmaster, Alameda Boy Scout Troop 11, Alameda, CA Planned group outings and developed schedules for weekly meetings Provided guidance to younger scouts and assisted with their advancement Sep 2005 - May 2006 California YMCA Youth & Government, Downtown Oakland Delegation, Oakland, CA 57th Model Legislature/Court: Member, Board of Equalization 58th Model Legislature/Court: Finalist, National Issues Commission Independently drafted a bill regarding a nationally relevant issue that progressed to

the final ten presenters among 200 participants

Presented this bill to an audience of hundreds at the State Capitol, which passed

## **AWARDS**

May 2003 Semifinalist, National Merit Scholarship Program