

Mark David Sherrah

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Introduction

To Whom it May Concern:

My name is Mark Sherrah, and I am a native English-speaking Canadian citizen with a Bachelor of Fine Arts, Honours Degree (Classical Music), an International English Teacher License, a Professional TESOL Certificate (240 hours) with specialty certificates in Grammar, Teaching Children, Teaching Adolescents, Tutoring, Teaching Adults and TOEFL Preparation, as well as an advanced TESOL Diploma (360 hours).

Along with my Korean teaching experience, I have been a private music teacher for many years, and served as a medical instructor in the Canadian Armed Forces

As a professional copywriter, artist representative and small business owner, I have developed the ability to communicate effectively in both written and spoken English, prioritize projects, present ideas and adjust quickly to the changing needs of the workplace. I excel in creative problem solving and can efficiently manage and organize multiple tasks with a keen eye for detail and accuracy.

I am in excellent health and have an abundance of energy and patience, as well as a sincere love of learning and teaching. I consider myself a friendly and outgoing individual who will be able to create a comfortable atmosphere where students not only learn, but also enjoy the learning experience.

If you think that my skill set meets your requirements please contact me by email at: marksherrah@hotmail.com or by phone at 010-5571-6282

I look forward to speaking with you soon. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Mark D. Sherrah

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Objectives

To continue my career as an ESL/EFL teacher in a cooperative, goal-oriented working environment, and to further increase my skills, TESOL education and experience to ensure my students learn effectively and remain highly motivated.

Personal Skills

I bring to my workplace:

- A trustworthy, responsible and diligent work ethic
- Excellent problem-solving skills
- The enthusiasm to be a responsible and innovative motivator
- A willingness to be part of a team
- The ability to exceed employer expectations through subject knowledge, creative thinking, patience and a pleasant demeanor
- The ability and desire to learn and adjust quickly
- A respect for students, fellow teachers, employers and self
- A belief in optimism and cheerfulness in the classroom

Education

2005 Bachelor of Fine Arts, Honours (Classical Music)

York University, Toronto, Ontario, Canada

2005 Professional TESOL Certificate (240 hours)

Global TESOL College, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada

2007 Advanced TESOL Diploma (360 hours)

Specialties: Teaching Grammar, Teaching Adolescents, Tutoring, Teaching Adults, TOEFL Preparation

Global TESOL College, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada

Conversational English Teacher

Baek seok ESL Academy • Cheonan, South Korea

December 2008 - January 2010

Full-time classroom instruction and personal tutoring

Taught ESL to elementary and middle school children and adults

ESL English Teacher

High Up Academy • Cheonan, South Korea

February 2007 - December 2007

Full-time classroom instruction and personal tutoring

Taught ESL to elementary and middle school children and adults

Conversational English Teacher

ESL Language School • Cheonan, South Korea

January 2006 - March 2007

Full-time classroom instruction and personal tutoring

Taught ESL to elementary and middle school children and adults

Teaching Literacy to Adults

Spalding Court Community Center • Toronto, Canada

1996

Worked as a volunteer tutor, teaching reading skills to illiterate adults

Music Teacher:

Part-time, private classical guitar instruction

1985 - 2002

The Scarborough Conservatory of Music • Ontario, Canada

1988-1989

Full-time private classical guitar instruction

First Aid/Casualty Evacuation Instructor

Canadian Armed Forces

1983 to 1986

Taught emergency care and transport of the sick and injured,
ambulance care and maintenance and casualty evacuation

Work-related Experience

Freelance Copywriter

1995-present

As a freelance copywriter my duties include:

- Writing advertising, promotional and educational copy for print, media and direct mail for a wide variety of clients
- Developing and presenting creative concepts for clients
- Finding creative solutions for clients' needs
- Developing, maintaining and updating a database
- Negotiating and drafting contracts with clients

Artist Representative

1995-2000

I founded ArtEffect in 1995 in response to the needs of a number of commercial artists and photographers for an agent to represent them in their dealing with their clients and potential clients. My duties included:

- Developing promotional materials
- The creation, development, maintenance and updating of a database
- Making sales-calls and presenting artists' portfolios to potential clients
- Negotiating and drafting contracts between the artists and their clients
- Facilitating the execution and deliveries of artwork in a timely and professional manner

Interests

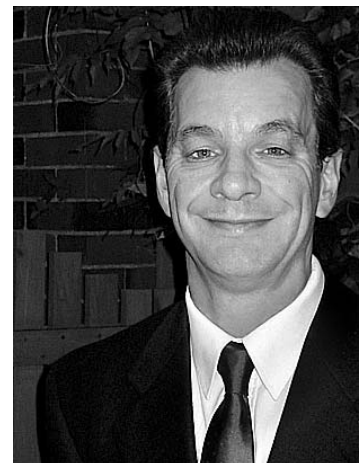
- Attending concerts and playing music with friends
- Participation in sports, especially biking, swimming, tai-chi and hiking
- Reading about history and visiting historical sights

References

Letters of recommendation are attached.

Official documents are available upon request:

- Passport
- University Degree Diploma and Official Transcripts
- ESL/EFL Certificates/Diploma
- Colour Photograph
- Criminal Record Check



February 24, 2007

To Whom It May Concern:

Mr. Mark D. Sherrah has asked me to write in support of his application to enter the teaching profession. To situate my perspective, first I describe my interaction as his Director. These opportunities resulted in the formation of a camaraderie, which supports my ability to address his strengths as well as conceptualize Mark's dedication to academia.

I have worked with Mark for 14 months as ESL Language School in Cheonan, in Korea in teaching kids, youths and adults. He surely has shown me his enthusiastic teaching, honestly, intelligency and faithfulness to students and his classes. Mark's contribution our language school has been tremendous. I have been happy with him since I met him because he has opened his mind to our culture and tried to learn it as much as possible. I believe that he knows how to mingle with kids, youth and others who have the different cultural backgrounds.

Like many novice teachers, Mark is an intelligent who is well-read and can converse with anyone about practically anything. He readily participated with students in group activities and team competitions. That's why I suppose his greatest challenge will be involved with students who are seeking development and somewhat different cultural experience.

Please contact me if I can provide any further information. Successful teachers need to be flexible and willing to learn in addition to having a gift to teach and teach well. I do not have any doubts that Mark will encounter difficulties but his character, intelligence as well as love for learning will allow such difficulties to become opportunities for learning and change.

Sincerely,

Byung Gwon, Lee

The Director of ESL Language School in Cheonan
M.A. in Religion
Ph.D. student in Mission in Andrews University in USA.

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December, 2007

To Whom It May Concern:

Mark Sherrah worked at High Up Academy from February 2007 to December 2007. During this time, Mr. Sherrah taught English, including listening skills and TOEFL Preparation, to middle and high school students, in classroom and private tutorial settings. I have found him to be a most dedicated and conscientious teacher.

Always punctual and well-prepared for his classes, he has displayed a high degree of professionalism and enthusiasm. Well-liked and respected by both co-workers and students alike, it has been a pleasure to work with Mr. Sherrah and I recommend him highly.

Sincerely,

Jason Park

Director, High Up Academy

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Ssang Yong Dong
Cheonan, Chung-Cheong Province,
South Korea 330 956
phone: 010-7175-7663

October 11th, 2005

Dear Sir or Madam:

Global TESOL College offers an intensive, practical TESOL (Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages) certification-training course. This course is designed to enhance teaching skills in areas of conversational English, listening, comprehension, grammar, pronunciation, phonetics, linguistics, reading, writing, teaching preparation, lesson planning, and ESL and EFL classroom methods for teaching English. At present, course graduates are teaching English in over 30 countries around the world. The majority of our graduates successfully find ESL/EFL teaching positions worldwide.

Mark Sherrah completed the 240-hour TESOL Professional Certificate course, consisting of the 60-hour foundation course and three 60-hour specialization courses, in October, 2005. He acquired the new knowledge and concepts with ease, and presented himself in a professional manner during the practical training and presentations. Mr. Sherrah's strong communication skills combined with his ability to adapt quickly and easily to new situations are qualities that will make him an excellent EFL/ESL teacher.

I am confident in adding that Mr. Sherrah will be a valuable asset to any ESL Institute, and those that will have the pleasure of working with him will be improved with his ability to handle any given situation with confidence and interest for others. If you have any questions whatsoever about Mr. Sherrah, I would be happy to answer them.

You may reach me via email at christa@globaltesol.com or by phone at 519 824-4486.

Sincerely,

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July 25, 2002

Dear Sir or Madam:

Bond Street Design Group is a company specializing in the development of advertising and trade promotion for print, broadcast and direct marketing since 1993.

During this time, Mr. Mark Sherrah has worked for us as a writer on a large number of projects. His work is always of the highest quality. He displays an excellent command of the language and the ability to communicate ideas in a precise and effective manner. He is a diligent and conscientious worker who completes his assignments on time and shows a good measure of professionalism and thoughtfulness in doing so.

A valuable and valued member of our team at Bond Street Design, it has always been a pleasure working with Mr. Sherrah and I have no qualms whatsoever in recommending him highly.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding Mr. Sherrah, you can contact me at (905) 522-8589 or online at swashington1@cogeco.ca.

Sincerely,

Sharon Washington
Creative Director