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Summary: MS degree earned at Columbia Graduate School of Journalism. More than 10 years of writing news and feature articles (two years with daily newspapers such as Los Angeles Times). More than four years of editing experience. Experience proofreading and rewriting published and in-house documents, including articles, technical manuals and business contracts translated from Japanese to English. Web publishing experience. Willing to relocate for the right position.

Editing & Proofreading Experience

Fitness Japan, Tokyo

Editor: Developed editorial content and solicited articles for this Webzine; currently edit, proofread or rewrite copy as needed. Oct. 2005 to the present

SMC Japan, Tokyo

Proofreader: Check, edit or rewrite translated business and technical documents; advise Japanese translators on English terms and writing. Aug. 2006 to the present

Comsus, Tokyo

On-Call Proofreader: Check translated manuals and rewrite business documents. Dec. 2006 to the present

International Herald Tribune

The Asahi Shimbun, Tokyo

Copyeditor: Edited or rewrote mostly translated news and feature articles for Asahi's pages in the Tribune. Feb. 2004 to June 2005

Cooper Point Journal, Olympia, WA

Features Editor: Edited, designed pages with PageMaker; solicited and wrote articles; launched a weekly forum column for this Evergreen State College campus weekly. Sept. 1995 to Dec. 1996

City Collegian, Seattle, WA

Features Editor: Edited, designed pages with Quark Xpress; assigned and wrote articles; launched a weekly cultural feature for this Seattle Central Community College weekly. Sept. 1994 June 1995

Writing & Reporting Experience

Freelance, Tokyo, New York, Portland, OR

Reporter/Writer: Write news, features and reviews for various publications; most recently, Metropolis, Asian Reporter and Asia Times Online. 1998 to the present

Fitness Japan, Tokyo

Writer/Copywriter: Wrote and uploaded monthly Web content on amateur sports and fitness; composed a monthly e-mail magazine. Oct. 2005 to Dec. 2006

International Herald Tribune

The Asahi Shimbun, Tokyo

Staff Writer: Features; monthly columnist for Asahi's Ex-pat Forum in the Tribune. Feb. 2004 to Sept. 2005

The Daily Press, Newport News, VA

Government Reporter: Covered Williamsburg/James City County politics. September 2001 to Apr. 2002

Los Angeles Times, Los Angeles, CA

Reporter: Covered area city governments, LA crime and courts; wrote features. Sept. 2000 to Sept. 2001

Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Oregon

News Writer/Copywriter: Wrote news, features and copy about American Indians. June 1998 to July 1999

The Namibian, Windhoek, Namibia

Reporter: Covered city, rural and national news; wrote features, A & E and commentaries. May to Dec. 1997

Academic History

- Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism: MS in journalism – 2000
- The Evergreen State College, Olympia, WA: BA (journalism focus) – 1998
- Center for Global Studies Namibia program: (development and media) – 1997
- Seattle Central Community College: Pre-grad. (sociology focus) – 1995

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