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◦ DETAILS ◦

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◦ LINKS ◦

[Portfolio](#)

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◦ SKILLS ◦

Adobe Photoshop

Adobe Premiere Pro

Microsoft Office

Microsoft Dynamics CRM

Zendesk

◦ LANGUAGES ◦

English

Japanese

◦ HOBBIES ◦

Translating comics and light novels.
Learning how to effectively subtitle.
Digital art and illustration, building
computers, and also cats.

👤 PROFILE

Enthusiastic aspiring translator with 10 years of self-taught Japanese ability. I'm looking to transform my hobby of translating manga and games into a profession. I'm currently N2 certified and searching for translation opportunities and experience in digital entertainment and media.

📁 EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Instructor/Interpreter at NOVA, Chiba

2017 — Present

- Conducted group and online English lessons with clients of varying proficiency levels and ages.
- Facilitated more open communication between Japanese-speaking staff and English-speaking teachers through interpretation leading to more workplace cohesion.
- Revised and assisted in translation and syntax of client documents within strict time constraints to enhance and ensure readability without losing meaning.
- Provided Japanese language assistance to clients of low proficiency resulting in greater comprehension of complex materials.

Customer Support Professional at Home Media Solutions, Tallahassee

2016 — 2017

- Resolved over 200 inquiries per week and consistently met performance benchmarks in all areas.
- Completed customer website edits requests expeditiously leading to increased customer satisfaction and engagement.
- Supported clients in maintaining and improving their business websites including SEO and Google analytics.

🎓 EDUCATION

B.A. International Affairs, Morehouse College, Atlanta

2007 — 2011

- Selected as the first exchange student from Morehouse College to Soka University, Tokyo from 2009-2010 after placing 2nd in the Georgia statewide Japanese speech contest.
- Served as the cultural officer of the Atlanta University Center Japan Club for 2 years, and gave presentations and set up events highlighting both traditional and modern Japanese culture.

Graduate Coursework, Florida State University, Tallahassee

2012 — 2015

- Attended graduate level courses on Japanese culture and art in relation to the complexities of a globalizing world.
- Participated in language exchange events as a member of the Florida State Japanese Student Union.

KCP International Japanese Language School, Shinjuku

May 2015 — August 2020

- Attended a 3 month summer semester at an intensive Japanese language school in Shinjuku in order to further increase Japanese proficiency.

- Volunteered in the English conversation and cultural exchange class which helped non-English speaking foreign exchange students improve their English conversational skills.

INTERNSHIPS

Intern at Japan America Society of Georgia, Atlanta

June 2012 — August 2012

- Prepared grant applications to secure funding for a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.
- Assisted in the organization and set up of meetings between Japanese and American businesses resulting in sponsorship and support for Japanese culture and community events.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Japanese Language Proficiency Test, N2

December 2019

NOVA Top 100 Instructor

2019