GREY DRANE

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TRANSLATOR, EDITOR and WRITER

- Two decades of experience as a professional wordsmith
- Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (Finance)
- Targeting position as an in-house editor and/or writer

"Writing gives you the illusion of control, and then you realize it's just an illusion, that people are going to bring their own stuff into it." – David Sedaris

Passionate about languages and linguistics. Seeking to further hone and broaden knowledge and skills in new settings and for new audiences. Eager to help organizations convey their image and identity effectively through impactful **storytelling** and high-quality content.

Education and background resulting in a strong set of **business**, **linguistic** and **communication skills**. Primary specializations: Finance & Accounting (esp. financial reporting); Administration; Technology; the Energy Industry (esp. renewables); Sustainability; Marketing & Corporate Content.

Keenly attuned to the **needs of the customer** and a diligent collaborator in order to ensure **full satisfaction** through attention to detail, the formation of strong interpersonal relationships, and the production of **style-compliant** (AP, Chicago, etc.), SEO-optimized copy.

"Life has taught me to roll with the punches and to never stop learning and adapting. Living abroad, especially, has given me the open mind needed to convey messages to virtually any audience." – Grey

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Cross-market Wordsmith, 2001 to present Self-employed – Valdagno (Italy) & Apex, NC

 Enable businesses to succeed in international markets through content writing, editing, translation and advisory services

Editor of creative writing, 2016 to 2019 daCunha.global – Leeds (England)

 Curation and editing of short stories and personal essays while also ensuring the quality of content posted to social media

Co-founder, Director of Studies, Language Trainer, 1992 to 2001 GL:OBE School of Languages – Cornedo Vicentino (Italy)

- Developed a successful language-training business, overseeing staff, technology, website administration and budgeting
- Trained Italian business people to communicate effectively in English

Accounting Clerk, 1989 to 1991

Diepenbrock, Wulff, Plant & Hannegan (DWP&H) - Sacramento, CA

 Assisted the law firm's controller, providing data entry services in accounts payable and managing petty cash

Accounting Clerk & IT assistant, 1987 to 1989

EDS Corporation (Student Loan Processing) - Rancho Cordova, CA

 Assisted in development of their first autodialer system then helped develop and maintain a relational database for accounting

EDUCATION

B.S. in Business Administration, Finance concentration (1991)
California State University, Sacramento, CA

 Coursework included: business communication; international business; corporate management; investment strategies; computer programming; accounting

CLIENT EXPERIENCE

Below are a few prominent organizations which have benefitted from my services, listed by primary area of specialization

Finance & Administration

Moleskine
Finmeccanica
Fiat Chrysler Automobiles
Cassa Depositi & Prestiti

Marketing & Communication

Pirelli & C.

Ogilvy & Mather

Madonna di Campiglio Tourist

Association

Galbani

S. Pellegrino

Technology

Accenture

Microsoft

Capgemini

Energy

Enel Group

a2a

Eni

Life Sciences

Generali

Merck

Gilead Sciences