Karen Chen

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EDUCATION

University of Southern California

B.A. International Relations and Global Business

Expected May 2017

Los Angeles, CA

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Customer Relations Intern

Torrance, CA

Toyota Motor Sales, USA

June 2015 – February 2016

- Handle inbound calls from customers, dealers, regional offices, and financial institutions promptly to evaluate the caller's needs and concerns and educate customers about new products and services
- Analyze customer's product or service related concerns to determine customer-oriented solutions
 within guidelines to build customer satisfaction and loyalty to the Toyota Motor Sales (TMS) brand
- Document all activities and cases clearly and concisely, using the appropriate systems and procedures
- Offer and generate potential sales leads when providing information on a new product or service

Logistics and Supply Chain Intern

Changzhou, Jiangsu, CN

Jiangsu E Motors Co., Ltd

June 2014 - August 2014

- Facilitated the packing team in testing multiple lithium-ion battery prototypes to verify its proper functionality and to distribute them to its appropriate label and packaging for manufacturers
- Ran daily experiments on the batteries to ensure it's operating according to the measured prototype data, along with examining the longevity of each battery to satisfy its required qualifications
- Participated in weekly meetings with the Director of Marketing and Director of Research and Development to improve the testing efficiency and to assure the company meets its weekly quota
- Altered and adjusted testing methods based on research and increased efficiency by 20%

Sales and Business Development Intern

Changzhou, Jiangsu, CN

Jiangsu E Motors Co., Ltd

June 2013 - August 2013

- Researched prospective markets for lithium-ion batteries in neighboring provinces and countries and assisted the Director of Marketing in introducing the product to several market segments
- Acquired new customers from nearby provinces, sold portable battery packs to the client base and met daily quotas, providing excellent customer service, and building the company's reputation
- Grew customer base by 120% through effective sales techniques while managing existing accounts
- Created proposals for new lithium-ion battery products and engaged with senior-level executives to proactively schedule and confirm sales meetings through cold-calling and lead generation campaigns

LEADERSHIP INVOLVEMENT

- Alpha Phi Omega Service Fraternity Historian, Sectionals Co-Chair
- French Club President
- English Service Project Co-coordinator

SKILLS AND INTERESTS

- Languages: English, Mandarin Chinese, Shanghainese, French
- Skills: Microsoft Office (Word, Powerpoint, Excel, Publisher, Outlook), Photoshop, Final Cut Pro
- Interests: photography, baking, rings, exploring, eggs Benedict, purple, crime shows, Polaroids