**Paul Collings – C.V.**

**Personal Details -**

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**Date of birth -** 22-3-1963

**Born -** Tauranga, New Zealand.

**Education -**

Greenpark Primary School, Tauranga.

Tauranga Intermediate.

Tauranga Boys’ College.

New Zealand Open Polytechnic.

Waikato University, Hamilton.

Ambulance Education Council, New Zealand.

Melbourne Training Associates, Melbourne, Australia.

**Qualifications -**

School Certificate 1978

University Entrance 1979

Higher School Certificate 1980

Certificate of Achievement – Plant Studies & Identifying Plants 1998

National Certificate – Ambulance (Patient Care and Transport) 2004

Graduate Diploma in Arts 2005

B. A. (Hons) – English major 2006

Cambridge Certificate in English Language Teaching to Adults 2012

**Voluntary Service -**

Nine years’ service as a volunteer ambulance officer with the Order of St.John, Waihi, New Zealand.

**Teaching Experience -**

After I completed my degree I enrolled in a year-long program to become a high school teacher of English. This involved a month of practical teaching experience. Unfortunately I did not complete this course due to personal reasons and the break-up of my marriage. However, in 2012 I did the CELTA course in Melbourne. This course involved a great deal of teaching to non-English speaking emigrants to Australia.

**Travel -**

In 2011 I travelled with some friends in South America for six months. While in Chile we visited Santiago, Valparaiso, La Serena, San Pedro de Atacama and Arica. From there we travelled north into Peru, Ecuador, Bolivia and Colombia. On returning to Chile I travelled south to Puerto Montt then took the ferry to Puerto Natales. It was a wonderful experience and since that time I have had a strong desire to return to Chile. During our six months in South America I learnt some Spanish, I made some good friends and developed a great appreciation of Chilean and South American culture.

**Professional Skills/Experience -**

For most of my working career I have worked outdoors in orchards growing apples, pears and kiwifruit. I have good knowledge and experience in horticulture.

**Foreign Language Skills -**

I have studied French for four years at university level, including a month spent at a language institute in Toulon, France. During my six-month tour of South America, I acquired some conversational Spanish. While in Quito, Ecuador, I attended an introductory course in Spanish.

**References -**

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