To Whom It May Concern:

I am a recent graduate of University of California at San Diego (UCSD) who is looking forward to teaching English to students in South America. Having traveled to South America in July and August of 2010, I have discovered a great interest and joy in its culture. To experience and teach students would full fill a desire to learn about another culture as well as give back to education. I feel a special connection to teaching as my father is a high school teacher and my mother also works in education.

Apart from graduating from one of the most highly regarded public universities in the United States, I have also recently worked as a substitute teacher in my home town of Santa Rosa, California. In addition to substitute teaching, I mentored and tutored for Club Xcite and the Teri Foundation. My responsibilities in both positions included the planning of curriculum, tutoring and mentoring of mentally handicapped and underprivileged children. Having been a Division II baseball player while attending UCSD, I enjoy all sports and can effectively communicate the fundamentals of athletics. I am an active volunteer in the Red Cross, American Heart Association and worked in the Intensive Care Unit at the UCSD Hospital while being a full time student.

Additionally, I was involved with College Works Painting (CWP). CWP is one of the Top 100 internships in the United States and allows an individual to run their own business. CWP is meant for self-starters who are organized and completion oriented. During my internship I had to develop customer relationships, hire and manage workers, calculate contractual bids and monitor costs. I was one of the few interns that succeeded monetarily in a depressed economy. I feel this experience exposed me to numerous skills that are needed to succeed in all jobs; most importantly being able to effectively communicate. If you have any openings for an English teaching position, please consider me a candidate. You can see that my resume demonstrates a person of unusual dedication, efficiency and drive.

My experience and achievements include:

* Substitute teacher in Sonoma County in California school districts
* Taught mentally handicapped and underprivileged children at an elementary school in robotics and physical education.
* Tutored and mentored a high school student for his entire junior year.
* Have recently completed a Spanish III course at Santa Rosa Junior College in the fall of 2010
* Hired, trained, and managed a five employee branch in College Works Painting
* Responsible for production management, customer relations and quality control in CWP
* Important Certificates: CPR certified; Substitute Teacher certified; Graduated with B.S. in Economics (2010)

I have enclosed a copy of my resume, and I look forward to discussing why my background and skills would benefit your English program. Feel free to contact me at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

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