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# PRIMARY ESL TEACHER

## HIGHLIGHTS OF SKILLS AND QUALIFICATIONS

- 15+Years work in strategic planning within the Settlement and Education sectors
- Extensive work in program collaboration, development and training to support skilled foreign trained immigrants
- UBC Bachelor of Arts: German Major; Bachelor of Education: Primary Concentration
- University of Cambridge Certificate in English Language Teaching to Adults (CELTA)
- Office Administration Certificate: Western Community College
- Extensive Canadian and overseas work among mainstream and underprivileged adults and youth
- Canadian employers: Surrey School Board; ELSA/LINC Adult Education Centers; Service Canada, MOSAIC
- Overseas charity work among children in Romania, Kenya and former Congo Compassion Canada; Iranian refugee population - Ankara, Turkey
- Extensive personal involvement with various immigrant populations in BC, including Asian, Middle Eastern and African communities
- Investigative nature which pushes beyond societally perceived boundaries
- Driven by a desire to understand humanitarian issues and motivated to derive and establish collaborative measures to address expressed needs
- Fluent in German; high school level French; extensive exposure to Russian, Farsi and Turkish

### KEY AREAS OF EXPERIENCE

### **ADMINISTRATION**

- Skilled user of MS Office Suite and Sage Accounting program
- Strong written and oral communication skills with extensive experience in fostering and implementing effective diplomacy techniques
- Experienced proposal writer for government ELSA (LINC) for the Workplace program, yielding approval for new contracts for Burnaby English Language Centre
- Solid experience working among diverse people groups ranging from children to semi-literate refugee men and women to highly skilled professional immigrants
- Passionate and skillful at establishing connections with and between people expressing themselves through diverse languages, cultures, behaviors and world-views

# PROGRAM/CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION

- Canadian public Elementary and High School Curriculum
- North American culture and communication materials targeting foreign business students
- Enhanced English for the Workplace Curriculum including Canadian Workplace Culture and Employment Strategies – ESLA/LINC levels 4 and 5
- Initiation of LINC levels 6 and 7

**EDUCATION** 

- English educational materials for Iranian refugees residing in Turkey
- Literacy methodology and materials targeting refugee men and women arriving to Canada from nations including Iraq, Afghanistan, Syria and various African countries
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- Driven by a desire to understand humanitarian issues and motivated to derive and establish collaborative measures to address expressed needs

# WORK EXPERIENCE **Program Assistant - Refugee Settlement and Integration** 2022 - 2023 MOSAIC, Vancouver, BC **Payment Services Officer** 2020 Service Canada, Vancouver, BC Adult ESL Teacher (primarily ELSA and LINC programs) 1997 - 2017 Surrey Learning Centre, Surrey, BC Burnaby English Language Centre, Burnaby, BC Adult ESL College, Ankara, Turkey Small Business Training Centre, Karaganda, Kazakhstan **Elementary and High School Teacher-on-Call** 1994 - 1997 Surrey School District, Surrey, BC

# Certificate in Office Administration Western Community College, Surrey, BC Certificate in English Language Teaching to Adults (CELTA) University of Cambridge through Y International College, Vancouver, BC Bachelor of Education: Primary Integrated Program University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC

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