

KENTARO VADNEY

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Fluent Japanese speaker with deep knowledge of Japanese culture and customs seeking a waiter position at a Japanese sushi restaurant. Experienced in Japanese business environments, customer service, and food service operations. Passionate about authentic Japanese cuisine and creating exceptional dining experiences through attentive service and cultural understanding.

KEY QUALIFICATIONS

- ✓ Native-level Japanese fluency (speaking, reading, writing)
- ✓ Strong knowledge of Japanese dining etiquette and customs
- ✓ Experience in Japanese grocery store operations
- ✓ Professional experience with Japanese executives
- ✓ Kitchen and dishwashing experience
- ✓ Customer service and stocking expertise
- ✓ Team-oriented with strong work ethic
- ✓ Comfortable in fast-paced environments

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Clerk & Stocker @ Nijiya Market (Japanese Grocery Store) Summer 2019

- Provided customer service in both English and Japanese to diverse clientele at authentic Japanese grocery store
- Managed inventory stocking and organization of Japanese food products, ensuring proper handling and presentation
- Maintained store cleanliness and adhered to Japanese retail standards for customer experience
- Assisted customers with product recommendations and questions about Japanese ingredients and cuisine

Kitchen & Cleaning Volunteer @ Acts 2 Network Church 2024 – Present

- Prepare and cook meals for community events, managing food preparation and timing for large groups
- Handle dishwashing duties efficiently, maintaining cleanliness standards in high-volume settings
- Work collaboratively with team members to ensure smooth kitchen operations

Technical Translator & Localization Specialist @ Genero Inc May 2020 – Sep 2020

- Worked remotely with Japanese company, conducting all communication in Japanese
- Translated technical and business documents between English and Japanese
- Demonstrated strong understanding of Japanese business culture and professional communication

Full Stack Intern @ Astar Network May 2021 – Aug 2021

- Collaborated with Japanese CEO and team members, conducting daily work entirely in Japanese
- Created bilingual documentation demonstrating professional-level Japanese language skills

ADDITIONAL SKILLS & BACKGROUND

Home Cooking Experience

- Extensive cooking and dishwashing experience from childhood, learning alongside family
- Appreciate the simplicity and discipline of food preparation and kitchen cleanliness

EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley

B.A., Computer Science | Aug 2019 – May 2023

NATIVE JAPANESE SPEAKER

Research Focus: Japanese Linguistics & Translation