

Robert Grayson

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Overview Self-taught frontend developer with a background in linguistics. Possessing 9 years' experience in planning and implementing onsite and online learning material, and a desire to leverage strengths in communication and problem-solving toward exciting projects.

Work Experience

J Prep Liberal Arts Tokyo, Japan
Instructor (part-time) April 2022 – present

- Continuing to teach high-level classes to students wishing to enter top universities abroad and in Japan
- Focusing on self-development with the additional time this position provides

Chief of TOEFL Curriculum March 2018 – April 2022

- Produced curricula for ESL students at advanced levels, including test-specific courses and general academic skills courses, to stringent deadlines
- Adapted existing courses for online instruction and evaluation
- Managed web-based learning environment (Moodle), created resources for teachers and students including quizzes and revision tools
- Oversaw teaching and online grading of written assignments by native and non-native English teachers
- Worked with a team of engineers, content creators and illustrators to build a vocabulary app for IOS

Head Instructor May 2015 - March 2018

- Created and implemented Writing for Academic Purposes curriculum, incorporating style guides such as MLA and Chicago
- Designed and hosted workshops for teachers based on instituting theories from applied linguistics in the classroom

Instructor (part-time) Nov 2013 - May 2015

- Facilitated discussions between junior- and high-school students on academic topics and current affairs
- Graded students' essays and prepared speeches

ACE Pronunciation School

Tokyo, Japan

Instructor and Curriculum

June 2013 – May 2015

Coordinator (part time)

- Authored comprehensive grammar curriculum for adults
- Contributed to published English pronunciation textbooks
- Produced content for company social media
- Tutored adult learners of English (largely doctors, executives and other professionals)

RIKEN Brain Science Institute

Saitama, Japan

Research Assistant

Sept 2012 – Nov 2013

- Conducted linguistic experiments with infants
- Edited videos of experiments and analyzed data
- Presented research to peers and to the general public through 'open day' events

Kuju Entertainment Ltd.

London/ Brighton, UK

QA Assistant

June 2006 – December 2006

- Provided quality assurance for video games produced for publishers such as Sony, Nintendo and Sega
- Used database and workflow software to catalog bugs and collaborate with developers
- Communicated with international staff, particularly Japanese representatives from publishing companies

**Volunteering
Experience****Tokyo Vegan Meetup**

Co-organizer

2016 - present

- Organize and promote events through social media
- Provide support for website and YouTube channel
- Communicate with restaurants and festival organizers
- Welcome attendees and provide information

<https://www.meetup.com/vegan-389/>**Education****Coursera**

Meta Front-End Developer

Aug 2022 – Present

Professional Certificate

- Individual, in-depth courses in HTML/ CSS, JavaScript, React, version control, UI/ UX design

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Web Design Specialization April 2022 – July 2022
(University of Michigan)

- HTML, CSS, JavaScript
- Responsive, accessible web pages

JavaScript for Beginners Specialization July 2022 – Sept 2022
(University of Michigan)

- jQuery and plugins, PHP, APIs

University of Amsterdam

MSc Brain and Cognitive Oct 2011 – July 2012
Sciences (First Year)

- Cognitive Science track with concentration in linguistics
- Studied research methodology and popular science writing

School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS, University of London)

Linguistics and Japanese BA Sept 2007 – June 2011

- First Class with Honors
- Included year abroad in Kyoto, Japan

Technical Skills

- HTML, CSS, JavaScript, React
- Visual Studio Code
- GitHub
- Netlify (static sites, API)
- CMS (WordPress, Squarespace)
- LMS (Moodle)
- Microsoft Office suite including Word, Excel and PowerPoint
- Online collaboration via Microsoft Teams, Dropbox and Google Docs
- Basic familiarity with design tools (Figma, Adobe Photoshop/ Pixlr, Adobe Illustrator, Final Cut Pro) and audio software (Audacity, Praat)

References available upon request

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