# Roman Michael Garcia

### EDUCATION

REED COLLEGE: Portland, Oregon B.A. German Literature May 2016

Bachelor's Thesis: Perspective in the Interpretation of Franz Kafka's Die Verwandlung

<u>UNIVERSTÄT TÜBINGEN:</u> Tübingen, Germany March to July 2015

Study abroad through summer semester 2015 in Protestant Theology

Gained fluency in spoken and written German FREIE UNIVERSITÄT BERLIN: Berlin, Germany

Jan. 2015

Attended FUBiS intensive language course

### WORK EXPERIENCE

#### Northwest Academy

June 2016 to present

Educational Technology Support Specialist

- O Collaborating with language teachers to supplement their curricula with innovative educational technologies (like chat rooms or social media)
- Writing documentation for the school's technology resources, presenting in classrooms on best use practices, and providing one-on-one technical support
- O Making substantive improvements to the school's IT infrastructure (like the functionality of student cart computers and network reliability)

### Reed College Computer User Services

April 2013 to May 2016

Hardware Shop Technician

- O Serviced student, staff, and faculty equipment onsite and at the work bench
- o Followed up by phone, email, and in person with community members about their computer's repair status and assessed the feasibility of their options with them
- o Scheduled events for full-time staff and maintained the Shop's web calendar
- o Created, revised, and closed records in our cloud-based ticketing database

#### Wikimedia New York City, Inc.

May to Sept. 2011

Intern

- O Aided President in acquiring tax-exempt status by compiling bank statements and composing a report on our cumulative fiscal history in Microsoft Excel
- Drafted and proofread grant requests and reports, launched and maintained social media presence, co-represented us at the Wikipedia in Higher Education Summit
- Responded to over 800 email and phone tickets between Feb. 2007 and 2013 as member of the English Wikipedia's Volunteer Response Team

#### ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

#### Reed College Residence Life

Aug. 2015 to May 2016

House Advisor of German House

- Oversaw an eight person, live-in language community in collaboration with the German Department and Language Scholar from the LMU München
- o Acted as point person for the college's German language community
- O Co-led three campus-wide events: Polka Punk Oktoberfest, Tower of Babel student night, and Panel on the Syrian refugee crisis
- Offered four German language programs per week (conversation and office hours, movie nights, and bilingual newsletter) and regularly organized other intercultural events (e.g., film festival outings, German breakfasts, and house discussions)
- Appointed as Language House representative to the Theme Housing Committee

## Reed College Honor Council

Sept. 2013 to July 2014

Appointee

- Served as a resource on navigating the college's judicial process at weekly office hours and was trained to carry out formal mediation
- Conducted independent research project on microaggressions at the college, facilitated several forums on student body hot topics (e.g., Title IX and consent, the smoking policy), and offered the most consecutive small group discussions that year

Reed College Library Board

Appointee

Contributed to agenda setting and heard updates from administrative staff on transition from local server-based cataloguing to a regional offsite service

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE Overnight Host for Reed College Admission Office

Dance Student Assistant for Reed College Dance Department

Note Taker for Reed College Disability Support Services

Administrator of the English Wikipedia

Section Leader for the NYC Gay Pride March

Dec. 2014 Oct. to Dec. 2014 April 2009 to June 2014 June 2011 and 2012

Oct. 2013 to Dec. 2014

Jan. to May 2013

AWARDS

Harvard Divinity School DivEx Program scholarship WikiConference USA travel scholarship Nov. 2014 May 2014

**SKILLS** 

**Academic**: ability to listen actively and critically evaluate a problem or standpoint; sensitivity to cultural difference and foreign language ability; attention to detail and a commitment to timely follow through; ability to break down questions step-by-step; capacity to map out and complete long-term projects; ability to speak accessibly when explaining technical concepts

**Technology**: Apple Certified Mac Technician (ACMT) as of Dec. 2015; adept knowledge of Microsoft Windows/Mac OS X setup, configuration, and repair; long-time familiarity with the Microsoft Office suite and Adobe products; extensive experience moving from point of triage to a limited set of outcomes

Language: American English (native), German (fluent), Spanish (proficient)