PERSONAL INFORMATION

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CURRENT POSITION: SPECIAL ADVISOR TO THE AMBASSADOR.

Embassy of the Republic of Honduras to Japan. Since May 2012.

In charge of the Political and Cultural Sections, drafting reports on current political issues, Public Relations, promotion events, managing logistics and coordination with visiting delegations and local institutions.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE in JAPAN

2009-2013 (discontinuous)	Union Liquors K.K. Company. Event Coordinator. Tokyo.
Nov. '11 – Dec. '12 (part-time)	Hakata Hotaru, O.B.U. Company. Public Relations. Tokyo.
Other employment	Museum Staff and Costumer Service - F.C.Barcelona (1 season); Freelance Film Crew Member (10 years), Tour-guide (1 season); Warehouse logistics staff (4 years - discontinuous); Technical Translator (Eng-Spa); Teaching Assistant (Autonomous University of Barcelona and Sophia University in Tokyo).

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE			
Apr.'09 – Mar. '12	 Sophia University. Graduate School of Global Studies, Tokyo (Japan). MA in Global Studies. Final GPA: 3.87 over 4.00 Thesis topic: Challenging the EU, Governance Structure and Decision-making problematic in the European Union. Monbukagakusho Scholarship Recipient from the Japanese Government and Researcher. 		
Sept. '07 – Jun. '08	Josai International University, Chiba (Japan) Exchange Student, Japanese Intensive Course. • Japan Student Service Association (JASSO) Scholarship Recipient. Sept. 2007 • Bancaja Scholarship Recipient for Academic Achievement. Barcelona, Sept 2007 • UAB Mobility Scholarship Recipient for Academic Achievement. Barcelona, 2007.		
Sept. '05 – Jun. '08	UPF / UAB. Pompeu Fabra University and Autonomous University of Barcelona, Barcelona (Spain) BA in East Asian Studies. Major: Intercultural Studies		
Sept. '99 – Sept. '00	Tokyo University of Foreign Studies, Tokyo (Japan) Exchange Student, Japanese Intensive Course Japan Student Service Association (JASSO) Scholarship Recipient. Sept 1999.		
Sept. '97 – Jun. '03	UPF, Pompeu Fabra University, Barcelona (Spain), BA in Humanities . Major: History		

PERSONAL SKILLS AND COMPETENCES

Mother tongue	Spanish & Catalan				
Other languages	English	Japanese	Italian		
• Reading, Writing and Verbal skills	Fluent.	Intermediate.	Intermediate.		
Social skills and competences	 Good communication skills and public presentations. Leading skills and coordination of multidisciplinary staff. 				
Organizational skills and competences	 High analytic skills, good time management and creative problem-solving. Effective at social aspects of coordination, open-minded and flexible. 				
Technical skills and competences	User knowledge of both PC-Windows and Mac interfaces, as well as the basic Office programs, such as Microsoft Word and Microsoft Office.				

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

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- Group leader in a **Volunteer Relief Effort in Tohoku**, Japanese Association for Refugees. May, September and October 2011.
- **Coordinator** of a local project in Barcelona: "Integration through sport", Barcelona, 2002 2004
- **AFANOC** (Association of Relatives and Friends of Children with Cancer in Catalonia). Social campaign for children with cancer.

Articles published

- Communicating in Japan, the barrier of "Tatemae". Global Asia Magazine (9), Economic, Business, Technologic and Cultural Publication, Sept-Oct 2009. Barcelona.
- *Tokyo, the Great Capital of the East.* Global Asia Magazine (12), Economic, Business, Technologic and Cultural Publication, Mar-Apr 2010. Barcelona.

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