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EDUCATION

Mar.2008-Jun.2009 Taiwan National Normal University Taipei, Taiwan R.O.C.

Mandarin Language Training (Note: With a 2-month break to teach at NTUST; see below)

University of Texas - Dallas Richardson, Texas, U.S.A.

ESL Endorsement (Note: Incomplete; finished linguistics components (12 Masters Credits))

1985 Lyman-Briggs School - MSU East Lansing, Michigan, U.S.A.

B.S., Natural Sciences w/ Concentration in Computer Science

SKILLS

Automation: tcl/Tk, Windows, UNIX, and the Microsoft Office suite.

Languages: Intermediate French, Beginning Chinese, Chinese calligraphy (書法)

Entertainment: Intermediate level classical/pop/jazz guitar, juggling, some slight-of-hand

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Taiwan National Univ. of Sci./Tech Jul-Aug 2008 Taipei, Taiwan R.O.C.

Jul-Aug 2009

English Instructor

Conversational English Instruction for University Students

Mar 2004-Mar 2008 Joy English School Dongshih, Taiwan R.O.C.

Foreign Teacher

Full-time English Instructor, ages 6 thru 16

2002-2003 **Collin County Community College** Plano, Texas, U.S.A.

ESL Associate Professor

1st, 2nd, 4th-level Grammar; 1st, 2nd, 4th-level Writing; 3rd-level Reading

1986 - 2001 BNR / Nortel Networks Richardson, Texas, U.S.A.

Member of Scientific Staff ("band 6")

Design Support, UNIX Support, Project Office Tools Development, Internal Training

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCES

- Edited theses for a number of Taiwanese Marketing Ph.D. candidates. Three of these candidates were published in U.S. journals, and subsequently earned their degrees.
- Taught one semester (two classes) with English Language Ministries (ELM), a free ESL learning resource for the Dallas community.
- Founded (with a friend) the McKinney Juggling & Loan, a Texas juggling club.
- Wrote a crossword puzzle development system, "putz" in the tcl/Tk language. It is freely available from my website. You can also have a look at puzzles I created.

CAREER GOALS

Due to my very positive experiences in these areas, my long term goals are to continue editing English copy and teaching English. Furthermore, I plan to continue developing my Chinese language skills, with an eye to eventually doing full translations of Chinese texts into English.