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I am writing in reference to becoming an English teacher instructor at your school.   I have been engaged as an English teacher in Daegu, Korea for the past several years.   During this time I have also had the opportunity for extensive travel throughout the world.   I would like the opportunity to employ my skills in a new environment.   I believe that I am an accomplished and innovative teacher and I have put a lot of effort into developing and enhancing my techniques. I am also reasonably fluent in Korean.

Currently, I am attending graduate school at KNU, however I feel that it isn’t I right fit and I would like to move to Seoul to finish a music project that I have been working on over the past 6 months.

I also enjoy working with computer software programs, such as graphic design and video editing. I am presently working on a video project which should be completed shortly.

I enjoy teaching and working in a fun and productive environment. I am a hard worker and believe in Kashen’s Input Hypothesis Theory, i.e., 'language is acquired through a comfortable setting and an environment without fear and negative emotions.'

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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**Summary:**

To work in an exciting learning environment, to have a positive influence on my students and others in my surroundings.

**Education:**

**Marshall University**, Huntington, WV BA Degree 2003, Major: *Communications:*Minor: *Marketing*

* Studied a semester in Madrid, Spain.
* Participated in a tropical ecology course in Belize.
* Traveled extensively through Europe, Asia,  and Africa.
* Attended a summer program at Kyung Book University in Daegu, South Korea.

**Work Experience:**

April 2009-March 2011:    **Co-Founder/Co-Owner** of *Power Up English School*  Daegu, Jisan-Dong

* Developed a nurturing environment for English education so chidden could acquired English to become fluent.
* Created program for adults to learn English with use in a foreign countries.
* Built a student base of 80 students in the competitive market of Suseong-Gu, Daegu.
* Created and implemented an effective English teaching method while simultaneously running the day-to-day business affairs of the school, i.e., dealing with students, parents, employees, and financial matters.
* Created small video for educational purposes using Adobe Premiere, Photoshop, and After Effect.

October 2003-March 2009:    **Employed as Teacher/Educator** at *English Town Academy & Wiz Island Kindergarten* in *Daegu, Jisan-Dong*

* Performed all the tasks that are typically required of a native English speaker.
* Developed fundamentals of the Power Up English program while working with future business partner at Wiz Island Kindergarten.
* Organized and ran successful parent consultations.

**Other Activities in Daegu, South Korea:**

April 2008                   **Participated in the Daegu Triathlon**

* Raised $5,000,000 and arranged for Spa Valley a water park to donate 40 tickets to SinA Orpange (신애보육원).
* www.imaeil.com/sub\_news/sub\_news\_view.php?news\_id=20057&yy=2008

Currently:                    **Producer of Collaborative Movement, a traveling music event.**

 Traveled for 10 weeks from Korea through several Asian and European countries by land and sea; recording and filming people of various cultures, playing music together, while bringing awareness to a non-profit Korean organization.  We are currently in the final steps of putting all of the musicians playing a song together in a music video. Details can be viewed at [www.facebook.com/CollaborativeMovement](http://www.facebook.com/CollaborativeMovement)