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## **Professional Experience:**

## THE WRITE WORDS (thewritewords.co.il)

Tel Aviv

Independent English-language services and communications company for enterprise & individuals

## Founder and Wordsmith-in-Chief

- Lead individuals and businesses in process of defining and consolidating a unified voice for their products and services and applying it across digital and print materials for marketing and customer communications
- Map and develop content, microcopy, UX copy, and content strategies for startups and established businesses in fields of technology, tourism, hospitality, consumer goods, and non-profit
- Recruit and coordinate work of content specialists, web designers, social media managers to execute multichannel content projects and marketing campaigns
- Provide ongoing support on websites, blogs, pitch decks, presentations, in-application text, service emails, user manuals, company protocols, and more

#### ARINGO MBA ADMISSIONS CONSULTING

**Tel Aviv** 

Admissions consulting company specializing in entry to elite institutions of higher education in the US & Europe **Marketing Communications Specialist** 2019 - Present

- Lead market research to evaluate market position and formulate new offers/promotions via strategic partners
- Prepare industry-specific content and manage publication across affiliates and social media platforms
- Initiated and conducted B2C engagement on affiliate sites, resulting in 23% increase in leads

#### **Senior Application Consultant**

2016 - Present

- Guide clients from all over the world, from all professional backgrounds, on their admission bids to Ivy League and global top 20 MBA programs such as Harvard, Wharton, Kellogg, London Business School, MIT and more
- Coached over 70 candidates, achieving 96% success rate at world's most competitive schools, which accept only 4-8% of candidates from pools of 10,000+; helped clients earn over \$600,000 in scholarship funding
- Collaborate closely with clients on every step of multi-faceted, fast-paced application process, delivering friendly, personalized, round-the-clock service and results on tight deadlines

#### TEL AVIV UNIVERSITY, INTERNATIONAL MA IN MIDDLE EASTERN STUDIES

Tel Aviv

One-year accelerated MA program for international students from 20+ countries

#### **Program Director**

2012 - 2016

- Planned yearly academic and extracurricular program in collaboration with Department Chair; worked across multiple academic and logistical departments to plan and execute all program activities
- Created and launched content-centered marketing products including student journals, podcasts, and alumni spotlights that resulted in 30% increase in enrollment (a \$100K budget injection) between 2013 and 2014
- Managed 12-15 academic and administrative personnel; authored and supervised \$350K annual budget
- Lead program's joint marketing initiatives and events with TAU's International School and developed internships and exchanges with Moshe Dayan Center for ME Studies and Alliance Iran Research Institute

#### Student Services Specialist

2011 - 2012

- Worked across 5 offices, including executive offices, to streamline program's transfer from International School to Faculty of Humanities; led process that implemented new program requirements
- Point of contact and advocate for over 100 international students, overseeing their academic progress, mediating issues with university and municipal offices, and aiding them in adapting to life in Israel

## UNIVERSITY OF THE PEOPLE

**Tel Aviv** 

DEAC-accredited online university expanding access to higher education in the developing world

**Admissions Officer** 

2010 - 2011

 Verified and processed all incoming applications and handled applicant inquiries from more than 100 countries, ensuring compliance with school's admission and accreditation standards

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## **Selected Writing and Editing Projects:**

Contributor, The Perspective (online magazine, launch date: Feb 2017)	2016 – Present
Translator/Editor, Bayan Magazine (quarterly periodical, Moshe Dayan Center, Tel Aviv)	2016 – Present
Editor, Haile Selassie: The Lion of Judah, King of Kings by Haggai Erlich (Magness Press, Jerusalen	n) 2018
Editor, The Kurdish Women of Turkey by Heidi Basch-Harod (Moshe Dayan Center, Tel Aviv)	2017
Managing Editor, Rihla Magazine (international student periodical at Tel Aviv University)	2013 – 2016
Translator, The Israel Academy of Science and Humanities (website content and working papers)	2013
Editor, Grilling, Grilling, & More Grilling! By Dror Pilz (Penn Publishing, Tel Aviv)	2012
Editor & Contributor, Eastory (online shop and magazine for Israeli products and culture)	2009 – 2011

## **Education:**

## **B.A. Literature, UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA, LAS VEGAS**

2002 - 2006

- Summa Cum Laude, Department Honors Scholar
- Tom Wright International Award received partial tuition scholarship for 3-month program in Chile

## **Specialized Writing Courses:**

<ul> <li>"Introduction to Technical Writing" – Coursera</li> </ul>	2017
<ul> <li>"Research Methods and Methodologies" – Tel Aviv University</li> </ul>	2008
"Creative Writing" (3 sections) College of Nevada	2007

#### **Additional Information:**

- Founder of "Trick-or-Treat Kiryat Shalom," an annual neighborhood Halloween celebration
- Volunteer at "Clean Beaches Bat Yam," participate in monthly events for clearing trash from shoreline
- Cooking enthusiast: completed Gaya Bertelli baking workshop (2017); Williams Sonoma pasta course (2018)
- Classically trained opera and jazz singer who's performed at the White House
- Languages: English (Mother tongue); Hebrew (Fluent); Spanish (Proficient)