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# **Summary**

I am a multilingual (ITA, ENG, DE, FR) translator and proofreader with over 10 years of professional experience. I specialize in the proofreading of academic articles in English and in the translation of marketing, food and health related material (with ITA and ENG as a target language). I am also really good at analyzing and structuring information, I have a natural talent for perceiving patterns and organizing data and ideas and I have experience with online marketing and copywriting.

# Languages

ItalianNativeEnglishNativeGermanProficientFrenchProficientSpanishBeginner

# Education

### **Albert-Ludwigs Universität Freiburg**

Graduated March 2013

Master's Degree in European Linguistics

Here I have a been introduced to all the major branches of linguistics and had the chance to look more in depth at those that were particularly interesting to me, such as Pragmatics, Sociolinguistics, Morphology and Typology.

I also took an internship with the well-known prof. Dr. Ekkehard König, during which I mostly worked on Contrastive Linguistics.

I also took several language classes, including French, Spanish and Russian, to improve my understanding of European languages.

#### **University of Palermo**

Graduated July 2008

Bachelor's in Translation and Intercultural Competence

This degree course provided me with a solid understanding of the English language, its grammar and syntax and, to a lesser degree, its history and literature. I also studied French, German and Russian on a more basic level.

The program focused on intercultural competence and on translation, addressing them on a practical and on a theoretical level, and touched on some branches of sociology.

# **Professional Development**

After graduating I have taken a few courses on a range of topics that were interesting for me as a translator.

Here is a non-exhaustive list of the courses:

- Translating in the Kitchen
- Food, Nutrition and Health
- Social Psychology
- Clinical Terminology for International and U.S. Students

- Introduction to Pharmacy
- Business School for Translators
- Keeping Up with Translation Technology
- In-depth Course on Medical Translation
- Write to Ignite: Master the Art of Sales & Copywriting
- Editing and Proofreading

# **Employment History**

#### Booking.com

Freelance Translator

Freiburg, Baden-Württemberg November 2012 - October 2018

I translated almost **5 million words** for Booking.com over a period of around 5 years. After a brief **training period**, I translated hotel descriptions from English into Italian conforming to their guidelines regarding the tone and style of the target text. Booking.com performs **regular quality assessments** which I always passed with full grades.

#### **Organic Translations**

Head Translator and Proofreader

Freiburg im Breisgau, Baden-Württemberg January 2009 - Present

I have worked as a freelance translator for over 10 years. I translate **from English into Italian** and **from Italian into English** and I proofread both languages. I also accept jobs from **French and German into English/Italian**. Here is a list of the topic/areas I worked with:

#### Health

Proofreading of academic articles in cardiology, gynecology, neuro-biology and neuro-linguistics; Translation of medical devices descriptions, surveys, description of neuro-psychiatric disorders, nutritional recommendations, book chapters, patient brochures.

#### Food

Packaging, printing, food labeling, description of regional products, recipes, description of organic products, company websites, menus, nutritional advice.

#### Marketing

Marketing material for businesses operating in following sectors: health, food, fashion, tourism and organic/natural cosmetics.

#### **Linguistics and Education**

Proofreading of academic articles in comparative and historical linguistics;

Translation of quizzes and fliers for language courses, teacher's public speeches, university web pages, course descriptions.

#### Other

Tourism, contracts, certificates, psychology, sociology, theater studies, civil and mechanical engineering, architecture, industrial manuals, marketing material, CVs, cover letters.

### **Coursera's Global Translator Community**

January 2015 - Present

Translator

Through Coursera I translate **subtitles** for online courses held by the most prestigious universities world-wide. These are some of the lectures I have translated:

- Stanford Introduction to Food and Health
- Reading Nutrition Labels
- Anatomy: Musculoskeletal and Integumentary Systems
- The New Nordic Diet from Gastronomy to Health
- Sensory Evaluation of Food

#### **Step Forward GmbH**

Online Marketing Manager

Freiburg, Baden-Württemberg November 2018 - Present

I am developing and implementing online marketing strategies for this company. The job also involves copywriting

and creating content for German customers. The company operates in the health/medical sector.

#### **University of Freiburg**

Research Assistant

Freiburg, Baden-Württemberg February 2013 - September 2013

For half a year I worked as a research assistant for Dr. B. Irslinger at the University of Freiburg. My tasks included reading linguistics articles in ENG, FR, DE and ITA and reporting on them in ENG in written and oral form, carrying out literature research and **proofreading English-language academic articles** in preparation for publication. I still keep in touch with my former employer to proofread all her articles in English.

## Sprachlehrinstitut (SLI) der Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg

Freiburg, Baden-Württemberg September 2010 - December 2010

**English Tutor** 

I worked as an English tutor for foreign students who came to Freiburg to learn German and English. My main tasks consisted in manning a helpdesk for the students and in organizing activities where they could use their English outside of the class environment.

### iEEG and Brain Imaging Research Group,

General Assistant

Freiburg im Breisgau, Baden-Württemberg

June 2010 - December 2010

My job involved:

- Proofreading scientific papers written in English
- Secretarial work
- Marking patients' behavior

## **Hobbies & Interests**

When I am not working or playing with my daughter, I read both fiction and non-fiction, I watch thriller and science fiction movies, I go to food fairs, tastings and other similar events and I spend some of my time learning how to draw.

# **Professional Skills**

Microsoft Windows Advanced
Microsoft Word and Excel Advanced
10 Fingers Typing Advanced
Computer-Assisted Translation Competent
Building Landing Pages Competent
Facebook Ads Competent

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