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**Objective:**

Seeking work as proofreader/editor

**Experience:**

* Copyeditor/English teacher, self-employed; primarily revise the English of research papers, as well as offer online classes in TOEFL preparation, academic writing, among others at: <https://www.academicenglishsolutions.com> (2008 - present)
* English Language Development instructor; La Honda-Pescadero Unified School District, Pescadero CA. Taught ELD, grades 6-8 as well as 6th grade Phys. Ed. (2007-2008)

* ESL instructor and copyeditor, self-employed; Sao Paulo, Brazil. Taught iBT Toefl preparation, English for Research Papers, and edited research papers for graduate students and professors of the University of Sao Paulo. (2004 - 2007)
* ESL instructor; Pittsfield Unified School District, Pittsfield, MA. Taught in Sheltered English Immersion program at the middle school. Designed modified units in Literature, Social Studies and Science aligned with Massachusetts’ ELL standards. Advised mainstream content teachers on modifications for ELL students. Advisor to Calling All Writers. (2003 - 2004)
* ESL instructor; University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Continuing Education. Taught Academic Writing to undergraduate and graduate students. (2003 - 2004)
* ESL instructor; Northampton Unified School District, Northampton, MA. Taught modified ESL classes on U.S. History, American and World Literature, Contemporary American Society, and Fundamentals of ESL at high school. At middle school, collaborated with teachers in designing inclusive classrooms and co-taught 6th grade Science and Language Arts in mainstream classroom while assisting ELL students. Adviser to: Amnesty International and Creative Writing Club at high school, and Calling all Writers at the middle school. (1999 - 2003)

* ESL instructor; Easthampton Unified School District, Easthampton, MA. Taught English as a Second Language to beginner and intermediate students, grades 6-12 in a sheltered English class as well providing in-class support in mainstream-content classrooms. (1998 - 1999)

* ESL instructor; Prumyslova Jechna, Prague, Czech Republic. Taught EFL to high school students in an electronics vocational school in Prague. Primarily taught beginner and intermediate students. (1992 - 1993)

**Education:** University of Massachusetts, Amherst; Masters in Education, specializing in TESOL. (1999)

University of Massachusetts, Amherst; BA from the Department of Social Thought and Political Economy. (1985)

**Skills:** advanced copyediting skills for academic and formal texts; extensive ESL teaching experience in public schools in the US and abroad, as well as in Higher Education and Adult Education; extensive experience in teaching academic and creative writing.

**Certifications:** I have earned seven basic skills certificates for medical editors from the American Medical Writers Association. Here is a link to AMWA where you can read more: <https://www.amwa.org/page/essential_skills>

Earned certificates for passing Coursera online classes:

Introduction to the Biology of Cancer

Epidemiology: The Basic Science of Public Health

**Publications:** I published a best-selling writing guidebook on Amazon for second-language learners: <https://www.amazon.com/English-Research-Papers-Handbook-Brazilian-ebook/dp/B00GPT0FXW>