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### A. Education

#### Academic Qualifications

Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan, USA  
PhD Programme in Second Language Studies  
August 2016-till now

Nicolaus Copernicus University of Torun, Poland  
Master's Programme, Jun 2009  
*Master's Degree in English philology* with the specialization in British Literature  
Thesis: *Madness and Death in Virginia Woolf's Life and Selected Works*

Pila Academy of Business, Pila, Poland  
Bachelor's Programme, Jun 2007  
*Bachelor's Degree in English philology* with the specialization in British Literature  
Thesis: *Critical Reception of John Milton's <Paradise Lost>*

#### TESOL & TEFL Qualifications

*American TESOL Advanced Certification* at American TESOL Institute (Obtained on June 25th, 2015)  
Thesis: *Intercultural L2 Teaching in China and Abroad*

British Council, Shanghai, China (Jun 2012 - till now)  
*Certified IELTS Speaking and Writing Examiner*

Sutton College of Learning for Adults, Sutton, Surrey, United Kingdom  
Cambridge Proficiency English Course, Jun 2004  
*Certificate in Advanced English (CAE)*

### B. Publications

#### **Books**

2015. *IELTS Band 9: An Academic Guide for Chinese Students. Volume I.* Ann Arbor, MI: Chopstick Press.

2015. *IELTS Band 9: An Academic Guide for Chinese Students. Volume II.* Ann Arbor, MI: Chopstick Press.

2015. *IELTS Examiner's Tips: An Academic Guide to IELTS Speaking and Writing.* Ann Arbor, MI: Chopstick Press.

## **Journal Articles:**

- October 2013 “Panda-monium’ at Hangzhou Zoo”. A Cultural Article in *China That’s Zhejiang*.
- July 2013 ‘Touching Heaven: Venturing up high at Yellow Mountain’. (Travel Article) in *China That’s Zhejiang*.
- June 2013 ‘The conundrum of Chinese Bamboo’. A Cultural Article in *China That’s Zhejiang*.
- May 2013 ‘The Eyes are Useless When the Mind is Blind’. A Cultural Article in *China That’s Zhejiang*.

## **Work-in-Progress**

- 2016 *Call me LiNana: How China changed not only my name*

## **C. Conferences, Presentations & Workshops**

- November 6-8, 2015 13<sup>th</sup> Asia TEFL International Conference in Nanjing, China  
*IELTS BAND 9* (book series) – a product presentation.
- September 2015 till now A series of presentations regarding *IELTS BAND 9 Book Tour* for teachers and students in language training schools in Hangzhou.
- June 2013 Strong International, Hangzhou, China  
Workshop for teachers: *How to effectively teach IELTS Writing?*
- December 2012 Strong International, Hangzhou, China  
Workshop for teachers: *The biggest challenges in achieving fluency with Chinese students.*

## **D. Honors and Awards**

- 2004 Polish Prime Minister’s Scholarship  
2005-2006 Pila Academy of Business Research and Study Grant  
2006-2007 Nicolaus Copernicus University of Torun Research and Study Grant

## **E. Association Memberships**

- Modern Language Association of Poland (PTN)
- Asia TEFL (Teaching and Learning English in Asia)
- Linguistic Society of America
- Midwest Association of Language Testers
- American Association for Applied Linguistics

## **F. Professional Experience**

**Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan, USA**

Research Assistant/PhD Student

**Hangzhou No 4 High School, International Department, China** (Sept 2014-till present)

Teaching English as a First Language, IELTS, TOEFL, SAT, Academic English.

**Hangzhou Normal University, China** (September 2013-July 2014)

Teaching College English.

**Strong International Group, Binjiang, Hangzhou, China** (October 2012 - August 2013)

English Teaching. Courses taught: IELTS (Writing, Speaking, Listening); TOEFL (Writing, Speaking, Grammar); English for Academic Purposes (EAP), Advanced English Language Skills (AELS); AP Literature and Composition; Developed curricula for IELTS Speaking, IELTS, Writing, IELTS Listening and EAP.

**New Oriental Elite, Hangzhou, China** (March 2011 - October 2012)

Teaching English as a Foreign Language; Curriculum Developer, Book Club Coordinator.

Courses taught: Spoken English; Grammar (basic and advanced); Pronunciation; Culture English Corners; Reading; Developed: Extensive Reading course for all levels from beginners to advanced learners; Advanced Grammar course; Designed and coordinated Book Club.

**The TEFL Academy, Hangzhou, China** (July 2010 - March 2011)

Teachers' Manager, and English Teaching. Courses taught: ESL classes, English Corners, Spoken English, Business English, English for Specific Purposes; Managed and scheduled a team of teachers including both Chinese and foreign teachers.

**Shuren University, Hangzhou, China** (September 2010 - February 2011)

English Teaching. Courses taught: Oral English and Business English.

**'Progress' Private Language School, Cracow, Poland** (August 2009 - June 2010)

Founder, Proprietor, Director, and English Teacher: Managed the school, handled marketing and sales, scheduled classes for all teachers, designed and developed curriculum for numerous courses, taught VIP students.

**Public Primary School, Opoki, Torun, Poland** (September 2008 - June 2009)

English Teacher: Taught primary school students of all grades English based on national curriculum provided by the government.

**'Pigmalion' Language School, Torun, Poland** (September 2008 - June 2009)

English Teacher: Taught: Cambridge exams (FCE, CAE, CPE), Pronunciation, Comprehensive Reading, Speaking, Advanced Grammar.

**Grammar School, Pila, Poland** (September 2007 - August 2008)

English Teacher, Home-room Teacher: Taught high school students English based on a national program, prepared students for Polish Matriculation Exam.

English and German Teachers Training College, Zlotow, Poland (September 2007 - August 2008)  
English Teacher, Lecturer: Taught Practical English, Phonetics, Writing, Speaking, Extensive Listening, Extensive Reading, British Literature, British History and Culture.

Technical High School, Pila, Poland (September 2004 - June 2007)  
English Teacher, Home-room teacher: Taught students English based on national curriculum developed for technical high schools, English for Specific Purposes, Polish Matriculation Exam classes.

Private Language School 'Accent plus', Pila, Poland (September 2004 - June 2007)  
English Teacher: Taught Cambridge courses (FCE, CAE, CPE); Pronunciation and Phonetics; Reading, Grammar (Basic and Advanced); Literature; Culture classes; British and American History.

## G. Languages Spoken and Written and Proficiency Levels

Polish (native) 33 years  
English (master) 27 years  
Russian (advanced) 27 years  
Ukrainian (intermediate) 4 years  
Latin (intermediate) 2 years  
Chinese (HSK4) 6 years