

Douglas Trueman

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Objective _____

Seeking challenging work that takes advantage of my stellar professional and creative communication skills.

Summary of Skills _____

PROFESSIONAL COMMUNICATION

- ◆ Able to write and edit high quality content under deadline, including academic articles, RFP replies, email campaigns, grant and funding applications, video and audio scripts, PowerPoint trade show presentations, official website content, blog postings, white papers, print advertisements, webinars and company memos. Can juggle and prioritize assignments with ease, able to work independently or in groups.
- ◆ Adaptable tone based on assignment and reader(s) which ranges from professional formality to casual simplicity. Able to communicate complex ideas in simple terms to maximize comprehension and minimize confusion.
- ◆ Exceptional research skills: able to extract relevant information from interviewees, subject matter experts, and multimedia sources.

JOURNALISM

- ◆ Able to write thorough previews, reviews, assessments and comprehensive guides of software and hardware backed by empirical evidence in a casual, conversation-style tone. Expert in conducting research online and in print, able to juggle multiple tasks simultaneously.

COMPUTER SKILLS

- ◆ Well-versed in Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, WordPress, Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign and Adobe Acrobat. Quick study with technology and computer software. Types over 90 words per minute.

Profile Summary _____

Communication

Wicked-fast professional and creative writer. Exceptional language and communication skills, grammar expert, thrives in deadline-driven environments. Excels working independently or under direction. Words obey my every command; numbers not so much.

Computers and Electronic Devices

Multi-purpose nerd: General Microsoft and Mac skills; FTP servers, hardware (installing hard drives, RAM, troubleshooting conflicts and printer issues, etc.) Geek of gizmos and gadgets: expert with mobile devices, gaming systems, etc. Able to deconstruct and explain all manner of electronics, including cell phones, voice recorders, video cameras, tablets, and portable devices (kitchen appliances give me trouble).

Creative Writing

Debut Young Adult Novel *Only the Good Die Young* was a finalist in New York's International 2015 Next Generation Indie Book Awards and has over 500,000 hits on Wattpad.com

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Employment History

UNIVERSITY OF ONTARIO INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY – Oshawa, Ontario, 2014-2015
Communications Officer / Researcher / Author for Decimal Lab, a research lab that studied wearable technology and how popular culture influences real-life invention.

RYERSON UNIVERSITY – Toronto, Ontario, 2012
Graduate Assistant for CMN600, a mandatory communications class for science undergraduates.
Communications Intern at Ryerson's Digital Media Zone (DMZ), a tech start-up incubator.

MENTOR ENGINEERING – Calgary, Alberta, 2010
Senior Writer, Marketing Department

FREELANCE ENTERTAINMENT JOURNALIST – Calgary, Alberta, 1999-2010
Periodical Contributions: Electronic Gaming Monthly, Official U.S. PlayStation Magazine, Official Xbox Magazine, GMR, 100% Independent PlayStation Magazine, Pocket Games, Videogame Underground, Total Movie and Entertainment, Next Generation, Surge Magazine, Toys 'R' Us R Zone Game Guide.

Online Publications: Cast interviews of *X-Men 2* and *Aliens vs. Predator*, film and game features, previews and reviews, Trailer Trash feature series (UGO.com); Interviewed game developers at Electronic Arts, Ubisoft, and Relic Entertainment (@Play.com); features, previews and reviews (Gamespot.com); Various game reviews and previews (DVD Shrine.com, Gamepen.com, GamesRadar.com, Avault.com).

Technical Writing Publications: UFC: Tapout, UFC: Throwdown, Kabuki Warriors (BradyGames); Soul Calibur, Gekido, Fighting Force 2, Tokyo Extreme Racer (Prima Games); Super Mario Sunshine (Ziff-Davis Publications)

CHAPERS/INDIGO – Calgary, Alberta, 1998
Multimedia Bookseller: Promoted and sold books about computer and internet technology. Organized shelves, located requested books, assisted customers.

Education

RYERSON UNIVERSITY – Toronto, Ontario, 2012
Master's Degree, Professional Communication

CITY UNIVERSITY – London, England, 2006
Master's Degree, Creative Writing (Honours with Distinction)

UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY – Calgary, Alberta, 1997
Bachelor of Arts Degree, English

References

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