Communication Vitae



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Work work work

2011 - ongoing

Freelance Copywriter @ Raad bij Woord

Clients include: Brussels Airlines, Desperados, Kluwer, Vinicity, ...

The most fun? A radio message for Santa and a DM that frightened 200 principals.

2007 - ongoing Lecture

Lecturer Communication Skills @ college university Lessius Mechelen

In Departments of Communication & Business Management:

From basic to advanced copywriting, meeting and presentation techniques.

Account Manager and Writing Coach in several projects for big clients:

- > Portfolio: Doctors without Borders, New Ford Fiesta, ...
- > Campaign: Paris Ici XL, B-post, Utopolis, ...
- > Pitch Advertising: Sara Lee (Douwe Egberts), Unilever (Dove Men), ...
- > Pitch Public Relations: Procter & Gamble, Unilever, ...
- > Pitch Event: Lessius Mechelen, Nestle San Pellegrino, ...

Researcher (Practice Enterprise, Logistics-Education and Airport, ...),
Student Counselor and inCOMing and outgoing Coach International Students.

Creator of Seminars for third-year students of COM. (Inter)national guest lecturers include: Clo Willaerts (online media), Ana Adi (PR Specialist), Marina Wikman (Intercultural COM), Arnaldo Smet (Digital PR), Dirk Lenaerts (Crisis COM).

Master to pupil

2005-2006

Advanced Master in Communication Science @ university of Antwerp Thesis about Internet and Noëlle Neumann's Spiral of Silence. (High distinction)

Academic Teacher Degree @ university of Antwerp. (Distinction)

2001-2005

Master in English and Dutch Literature @ university of Antwerp

'You rejoice me: The influence of Wyndham Lewis on James Joyce' Promotors Dirk Van Hulle and Geert Lernout. (High distinction)

1995-2001

Latin-Modern Languages @ Klein Seminarie, Hoogstraten Writer for school journal, soccer player for school team.

Professional training & masterclasses

16/11 & 17/11 2011

World Creativity Forum: Attended with 150 students: Pattie Maes (Sixth Sense), Malcolm Gladwell (Tipping Point), Garr Reynolds (Presentation Zen), ...

Summer 2011

Internship @ 6+1: advertising agency (www.sixplusone.be)
Invited as teacher trainee by the Visiting Professors Program of the ACC.

January-June 2011

Copywriting masterclasses: de Gouden Veer

03/03/11-06/03/11

in The House of Marketing, Mechelen, sponsored by Lessius Mechelen: $52\ \text{hours}.$

EUPRERA-conference (European PR and Research Association) in Lisbon, Portugal.

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Making Knowledge Work: conference in Manchester University, UK.

03/02/11-04/02/11

21/12/10 Powerful Presentations by Krist Pauwels (Choco).

30/11/10

Account Directing insights by Dimitri Mundorff (Duval Guillaume Antwerp).

28/05/10

The Power of Good PR by Peter Otten (Hill & Knowlton).

26/11/09

Advertising Strategy Trends by Yves Van Landegem (Saatchi & Saatchi).

June 2011 - 2012

Freelance Copywriter @ Schrijf.be

Clients include: DVV Verzekeringen, Linex Prefab, Bosch Onderhoud, ...

2006-2007

Teacher English-Dutch @ Mariagaarde and Maris Stella Instituut, Malle.

July 2005 & July 2006

Journalist @ Sanoma Magazines Belgium for Story, Antwerp

Primarily articles, interviews and editing in Belgium's gossip magazine. (summer job)

Skills

Fluent Dutch and English, good knowledge of French and German.

Warm people skills (soccer captain, youth club, monitor), inquisitive, quick learner.

Good computer crafts: Office, Windows, Mac and the rest of the world wild west.

Resilient, insightful, demanding, driven (and driving), target terrier. Uncrowned checker champion to be. Ten miles runner Antwerp.

Culture vulture

Amsterdamn, Berlin (in VW-hippie van), Coupland, dEUS, Eels, Fight Club, Herman De Coninck, Into the Wild,

Jack Sprite, Krakow, Lion King, Magritte, New York (one month with host family), Oracle Night, Paul Van Ostaijen, QOTSA, Radiohead, Storytelling, The Office, Up, Van Gogh,

Wired, Xavi, Youtube, Zarautz.

Bucket List

Do you have an hour? Ranges from growing an Eels-beard, running (not walking!) a marathon, becoming world champion of checkers, doing three consecutive pull-ups, ...

References

- > Bruno Neuville, Head of Communication Dpt: <u>bruno.neuville@lessius.eu</u>.
- > Inge Jamaels, Head of Advertising Dpt: inge.jamaels@lessius.eu.
- > Ana Adi, Online Media Specialist and PR Consultant: ana.adi@gmail.com.

Still questions? Great, I have some too! Let's meet up and talk. Q1: Over coffee?

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