

To whom it may concern,

My name is XXXXXXXXXXXX. I am a Nicaraguan citizen and an American resident who recently graduated from Global TESOL College with a specialization in teaching children. In addition to this certification, I also graduated from the University of Utah with a Bachelor's of Arts in Linguistics specializing in teaching adults.

I am actively looking to obtain an EFL teaching position in Nicaragua. I have a keen interest in the Nicaraguan people, culture, and Spanish language since my heritage is Nicaraguan. Although I was born in Nicaragua, my family moved to the United States when I was only four years old. I have now lived in the United States for well over 20 years and have immersed myself in the English language and culture. Unfortunately, I have lost fluency in the Spanish language and consider English to be my first language. Hence, this is precisely the reason why I am strongly interested in going to Nicaragua; I would like to master the Spanish language and enhance and cultivate my understanding of my ancestors and heritage. I believe that immersing myself in my parents' culture and language is the best way for me to accomplish this goal. I believe that understanding one's heritage is extremely important and I wish to preserve my parent's culture so I may one day teach my children their heritage. Doing this will create a sense of identity for both my future posterity and myself. It will be a great privilege to teach children, adolescents or adults in your beautiful country and I anticipate this wonderful opportunity.

As noted on my resume, I have been fortunate to be able to teach English in various settings. I taught English to young adults in Los Angeles, California for about six months. Furthermore, during my last two semesters (six months) at the University of Utah, I was able to teach English to refugees from Somalia and Afghanistan. These experiences have been invaluable; I have been able to create my own lesson plans, organize curriculums, and understand the essence of teaching English. Most of all, I have come to love people and different cultures by empathizing with my students and by understanding their struggle to survive in a foreign land.

As for my personal characteristics, you will find me to be patient, flexible, organized, and goal oriented. I strive to achieve my fullest potential in all that I do. I have a sincere love for people and think that everyone is capable of discovering his or her unique talents and abilities. As a teacher, I have seen individuals grow intellectually and reveal their potentials. As a teacher in Nicaragua, I will continue to extend my personal characteristics as well as extend love to the students in your school. I consider myself dedicated, people-oriented, and loving. I assure you that I will direct your students to learn and support you and the rest of your teaching staff.

I wish to accept a teaching contract at your fine school beginning any time in August of 2005. I am open to teaching adults, adolescents, or children at any level of English. Although I am not familiar with the location of English schools in Nicaragua, I would like to teach in Managua since I have a relative who has kindly offered her home to me.

Please contact me at 9:00 a.m. your time in order to further discuss my qualifications. I will be available at this time on Wednesday and Friday. You may also contact me after 12:00 p.m. your time on Tuesday and Thursday. Please feel free to contact me by e-mail as well at: email@myemail.com.

I will be anticipating you call or e-mail.

Sincerely,

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