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English 301 Students University of British Columbia

Dear English 301 Classmates:

Please consider my application to be part of a professional writing team for English 301 as described in Lesson 1.2. Working with teams on group projects and peer reviews throughout my five years at UBC has provided me ample experience in group work and quality peer review practices.

I have taken many 300 and 400 science credit courses in Psychology during my BSc. in behavioural neuroscience; these courses teach students to convey scientific material to general audiences, which in turn develops effective writing and communication skills. Furthermore, I have taken COMR 329, an organizational behaviour course that involves a semester long group project and teaches effective teamwork strategies. Finally, I have worked as the Corporate and Public Sponsorship Chair for the Stick-It to Cancer charity for two years, gaining experience in communicating with businesses and other professional entities and developing my professional writing and communication skills.

My strengths as a writer include my ability to convey complicated topics in an easily digestible manner, always maintaining an appropriate tone given my writing context, and providing excellent peer reviews. I have 4 years of experience writing in the MLA and APA format as well. My weaknesses include struggling with conciseness in writing and staying under word limits.

My learning philosophy is one of hard work. Specifically, I believe any subject can be mastered if a student believes in their own abilities and works hard to learn the content. Additionally, learning is a collaborative process requiring cooperation and teamwork with others.

Having obtained one degree from UBC already, I know how beneficial peer-reviews are and how teamwork requires proper communication and effort from all members. I will bring my experience in peer-reviews and writing skills to our team and help us succeed in English 301.

Please feel free to reach me at any time at <u>parsaz00@students.cs.ubc.ca</u>

Sincerely,

Parsa Seyed Zehtab, Bachelor of Computer Science (BCS) candidate.