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DENNIS HONG

Writer
Teacher

I'm a relationships and comedy writer, a statement that can be either redundant or an oxymoron, depending on your perspective. I also work with troubled youth. I am fascinated by human behavior and interpersonal relationships of all types, so I've devoted my life to learning more about these topics and sharing what I've learned.

Professional Experience

LemonVibe (lemonvibe.com)

Co-Founder, 2011 to present

Create and manage a crowdsourced dating advice site that also combines elements of social networking and online dating.

Musings on Life and Love (musingsonlifeandlove.com)

Creator, Editor, and Writer, 2009 to present

Create and manage a group blog for people of all backgrounds to share the life lessons they've learned, written as first-person human interest stories.

The Frisky (thefrisky.com)

Guest Columnist, 2012 to present

Contribute personal essays on dating and relationships.

www.thefrisky.com/author/dennis-hong

Cracked (cracked.com)

Feature Article Contributor, 2010 to present

Contribute fact-based comedy articles on a wide range of topics, including evolution, psychology, human behavior, and technology.

www.cracked.com/members/DennisHong

Various Websites

Freelance Writer, 2009 to present

Contribute articles on a variety of topics. An updated list of published work can be found here: www.musingsonlifeandlove.com/about-us/dennishong

Palomar Continuation High School, Chula Vista, California

Biology & Oceanography Teacher, 2005 to present

Teach at a school for at-risk teens. Coach a team to compete in the National Ocean Sciences Bowl each year. Piloted an oceanography and a public speaking course. Created a grading program for the entire school district.

SeaWorld Adventure Park, San Diego, California

Educator and Assistant Park Lead, 2003 to 2005

Conducted educational tours and taught children's camp programs. Trained and coached Education Department staff. Researched and wrote informational narrations to be used by tour guides, camp counselors, and educators at park exhibits.

University of California, San Diego

Graduate Teaching Assistant, 1996 to 2002

Taught undergraduate biology courses. Researched and wrote Ph.D. dissertation, titled "Temperature adaptation and range expansion of bacteriophage Phi-6."

Medical Articles for Textbooks and Scientific Journals

Co-Author & Editor, 1996 to 2007

Co-authored or edited approximately 15 articles with Chang-Zern Hong, M.D. Published in such textbooks and journals as *The Encyclopedic Reference of Pain*, *American Journal of Physical Pain and Rehabilitation*, *Journal of Musculoskeletal Pain*, and *Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation*. Specific references provided upon request.

Strengths

- ✓ Creative and artistic, yet scientific and analytical
- ✓ Quick learner, diligent and efficient worker
- ✓ Strong public speaking and interpersonal communication skills
- ✓ Adept at following written and oral directions
- ✓ Comfortable working under deadlines and pressure

Education

- ✓ *Secondary Teaching Credential*, San Diego State University, 2006
- ✓ *Doctor of Philosophy in Biology*, University of California, San Diego, 2002
- ✓ *Bachelor of Sciences in Biology*, University of California, Los Angeles, 1996

Computer Expertise

- ✓ Word, Excel, Publisher, PowerPoint, Visual Basic for Applications
- ✓ WordPress and Blogger platforms

Professional Organizations

Toastmasters International

Public Speaking & Leadership Organization

Member, 2004 to present. Vice President of Public Relations, 2004 to 2005.

Rotaract Club of Downtown San Diego

Community Service Organization

Member, 2004 to present. Social Chairman, 2009 to present.

