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Global Competence Program Résumé

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I. International Travel Experience

World Challenge Expeditions; www.wcexpeditions.com; Peru; July 7-August 7, 2007

- **Program's mission:** education through experience, physical challenges, eye-opening cultural exchange; developing teamwork skills in preparing for the trip and in managing all aspects of the travel experience
- **Program's focus:** 19-month development program, culminating in month-long expedition to Peru; developing leadership and responsibility; challenging trek; one-week meaningful service project; direct connection with the culture and the people of Peru
- **Major personal achievements:** overcame physical and emotional challenges while learning to adapt to life in a foreign culture; greatly improved my conversational Spanish; gained a desire to continue broadening my horizons through future cultural exchanges

II. Community Service

Taught English to elementary students at a village school in Peru in conjunction with World Challenge Expeditions program; July 21-28, 2007

- **Responsibilities:** developing and implementing creative lesson plans with other volunteers that engaged the students in fun activities designed to promote English language learning; one-on-one, student-driven language learning sessions; building shelves for English language books donated to the school by the volunteers
- **Skills used:** teamwork, creative thinking, teaching skills, connecting with people from another culture, Spanish, wood crafting, adaptability
- **Skills acquired:** learned about successful teaching methods for engaging young students; became more adaptable as I adjusted to life in a fairly primitive village; improved my conversational Spanish

III. Academic

A. Foreign Language Study

- Spanish: 7 years

B. Other Global Academic Studies

- World History Since 1945: overview of major world events since 1945 and their global impact

IV. Extra-Curricular

A. Latin American cooking: over the course of one year, prepared 12 family meals using recipes for common Latin American dishes

B. Attended flamenco dance performance: in December 2006, I attended a flamenco dance performance sponsored by Spanish Consulate

C. Read The Palace Walk, by Naguib Mahfouz: this book exposed me to Egyptian culture from the perspective of conservative Islamic women