

Personal Statement for Application at UC

The fact of being raised in China offered me plenty of experience on how to deal with different people. My family has had a business that dealt with Volkswagen in China and was also engaged in architectural business. This implied that my parents were busy and as a result, I became independent since childhood. Besides, I also got the opportunity to interact with many people in the business and at home.

In the area where I grew up lived people from varied types of backgrounds. Although it was intriguing to watch people perform the same thing differently, a challenge was also posed in the sense that there were diverse opinions on how to conduct matters. It is from this experience that I realized the need to understand and interact with people. I resorted to working in an industry that deals with as many people from various cultures and backgrounds as possible. It would help me to learn the different languages and cultures, as well deal with diverse people better. My interest in work for an international airline developed from this point. Additionally, it is the reason why I have decided to enhance my proficiency in various foreign languages.

I graduated from my Art School in China in July 2006. Later, I studied at the Civil Aviation Management Institute of China for 2 years between October 2006 and March 2009. The decision to pursue my studies in this institution was influenced by my job as a cabin crew and flight attendant at the China Southern Airlines. I got this opportunity when the airline hired me and provided professional training in 2008. I held this position till 2010. Although I liked my job, after a few years I realized that I had insufficient knowledge and skills to conduct my duties efficiently.

I came to the US as a Japanese student in April 2011 from China. As such, I have been in the country for 5 years now. When I came to the USA, I studied English for 8 months at Kaplan

International English. The aim of it was to increase my proficiency in the English language. Later, I moved to the Santa Monica College where I majored in the Japanese language because I wanted to enhance my communication skills. Currently, I am requesting a transfer to the UC. It will enable me to continue with my course in the Japanese language through which I will be able to communicate with more people from varied backgrounds and cultures in the course of my duties. This acts as the background for my passion for pursuing a course at the UC.

My experience is derived from the employment and internship positions that I have held since graduation. Besides these, I have also taken part in a number of community activities for which I won various awards. In particular, I have been involved in the actions that aimed at improving the living standards of the girl child all over the world. Additionally, I finished runner-up in the Sunshine completion in 2007 and also won a Miss Photogenic Award in the Most Beautiful Girl Contest in Sichuan in 2007. In addition, I was the Top Ten of the Start of Beauty of Chongqing, as well as the New Silk Road of Chongqing in 2008. As a part of teamwork, I take pride in the fact that my dance team won first prize at the final stage of dancing in my school in 2008 in Sichuan, China.

Among all the awards, the most important was the recognition as the best flight attendant at China South Airline in 2010. It was a result of the kind of communication, understanding, and service that I give to all the customers regardless of their cultural and racial backgrounds. In the course of my duties, I took care of an elderly woman from China who highly appreciated my efforts to make her flight comfortable. I have learnt a lot from all of these experiences.

Regarding my personal qualities, some of the most outstanding consist in the fact that I am active, adaptable, adventurous, and ambitious. Besides, I am also cooperative, independent, and insightful. All of these qualities motivate me on a daily basis, as well as make me whom I

am. I like swimming, enjoy reading, driving, travelling, dancing, and playing golf. However, mostly, it is travelling that offers me the vast experience in cultures of different countries. I believe that my interests, work experience and personal qualities will be relevant to this course and will extend my knowledge of the airline industry peculiarities. With the learning environment and resources at the University of California, the level of competence obtained will be sufficient for me to handle my career, family business, and personal relations with a broad range of people.

The University of California is acknowledged internationally for its reputation for excellence. The University is also respected in regard to the facilities, as well as resources to ensure a great educational experience for its students. The staff is also unrivaled, as the faculty fraternity is composed of outstanding professors.

I believe that if offered the opportunity, I would get a chance to get a higher education that would enable me to improve myself. In my opinion, growth is an important aspect of life. In this sense, I have the drive to keep going in the efforts to shape me, believing that knowledge is a vital tool for everyone. It is in this respect that I quit my job as a flight attendant and came to the US to pursue my undergraduate degree.