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**My Life As A TESOL Certified English Communication Facilitator**

*"Yesterday is history. Tomorrow is a mystery.*

*Today is a gift.*

*That is why it is called the present."*

*- Anna Eleanor Roosevelt -*

This phrase is my motto for my life. I would like to embrace every moment in my life. I really want to make my life fill with my true love and effort.

When I decided to partake in the California State University at Long Beach Gangnam TESOL Center TESOL Class, I wanted to improve myself and become a better teacher. Although taking this Class has been very hard on me, it has also been a rewarding experience for me. It is like a present for me. I believe that taking this TESOL class will make me better.

I was a little shy and I thought that I did not have confidence in myself. I did not know well how to change myself. I did not focus on myself. But during this TESOL Class, I was able to have a lot of time to think about myself, my life and my dream. It was a really good time and helpful for me. Now, I have started to think this way: 'What should I do at this moment? How can I complete my mission? What is my dream and how do I have to do for it?'. This TESOL Class raised Self Examination and Self Reflection in myself.

During class, as I completed all of the different missions - like discussions,

presentations, Micro-Teaching, writing Essays and so on, I was able to improve my ability in many different areas. Now I can teach students with confidence in class and communicate with each other better. I have learned how to make, prepare and build up English communicative classes from this TESOL Class.

Before taking this TESOL Class, I just taught students to memorize English. Thanks to this TESOL Class, I was able to realize in depth that communicative classes inspire students to learn and study English. I was inspired from my instructor and classmates while taking this TESOL Class. There are diverse students in this TESOL Class 131. Some classmates are very smart and fluent when they speak and teach. Others have power to lead and communicate in a peaceful and comfortable atmosphere. I was able to learn how to manage my class from them. I love the times we are able to interact with each other. In this same way, I would like to interact with my students like this during class. I would also like to make English communicative classes for my students.

In this TESOL Class, the activities including Micro Teaching, feedback and Self Reflection were absolutely useful and helpful to improve my ability and attitude. There were three types of Micro-Teaching: Speaking & Listening, Reading, and Grammar. After each Micro-Teaching, I received feedback from my instructor and my classmates. By this, I was able to realize and improve my teaching style in class. While watching and learning my other classmates' Micro-Teaching, I could enjoy their English communicative classes, too.

After I am California State University at Long Beach Gangnam TESOL Center TESOL certified, my new era will begin in May 2016. I was awakened to the teaching potential in myself, my life and my dream thanks to this TESOL Class. My Dream as a teacher is to impart motivation to my students. I want to be a true teacher who is inspiring learners.

First above all, as I have learned from this TESOL Class I am going to facilitate English communicative classes at the English Academy which I am working at now for the kids. English is an important language to communicate with each other and not just to pass tests. I was able to realize this importance again, while I have learned and studied English in this TESOL Class. I also want my students interact positively during my class. I will encourage classroom interaction, this includes Teacher - Student, Student - Teacher and Student - Student interaction. One more important thing is to give my students positive feedback when they make some mistakes or if they are shy in my class. I will also be pleased to find each student's strengths and encourage them. When I teach English to my students, I am going to show and tell. It will more helpful and effective for students to learn English. I want my students to learn and practice English with enthusiasm.

A few days ago, I was hard to work because I was sick. I realize that my physical and mental conditions are also important to teach students. I am going to try to be more energetic and give one hundred percent of my effort to my class. To do that, I have to take care of myself first. I decided to start doing Yoga for my health. With this healthy energy, I will enjoy my class together.

In my forties, I am going to be the president of an English Academy. I will organize and support a team of teachers in order to set up English communicative classes for learners. And I am going to make a good learning environment for kids. I think children are the future for Korea. I want to help them grow up, so they will make the world to a better place.

I will never forget this California State University at Long Beach Gangnam TESOL Center TESOL Class 131. It is a wonderful memory and rewarding experience in my life. I appreciate my instructor, Dr. Frank Chavis who has taught and inspired me in the class. And also I thank my classmates for their partnerships' help with each other. In this TESOL Class 131, I hope that we all had a great time respectively. While interacting with each other during the class, I believed we could grow together. I never ever stopped studying and trying to be a true teacher and facilitator for English communication. I really love the sentence, ‘Dreams come true’. I will live what I dream! I can do it!