John Russey

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Personal Data

• Born in Kansas City, Missouri (USA) on March 12, 1963. Dual Belgian-American nationality.

Experience and Skills (Summary)

- Prepare the ground for The Virtue School my Vision wherein kids learn to get back in touch with Nature.
- Instruct students in Philosophy in Spain (IB-DP), Mol, Belgium (European Baccalaureate) and USA (community college).
- Teach TOK (IB-DP), English, Humanities, Computer Applications and Technology at various European Schools.
- Aid secondary students to improve their English language skills (Learning Support, SEN & Rattrapage).
- Utilize computer-programming skills while working on web development projects for a software engineering firm.
- Adapt easily to a wide variety of work and cultural environments. Open and quality minded, with diverse interests.

Diplomas

- Academic Teachers Training Philosophy (ALO) at the Catholic University of Leuven, BE (KUL): Flemish program
- Bachelor & Licentiate (Master) in Philosophy (English/International program (KUL))
- Three Bachelor of Arts degrees: English, Biology & Studio Art (University of Missouri Kansas City)

Additional Training

- CELTA diploma Cambridge: Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL).
- Diploma as *Philosophical Dialogue Leader* (Philosophy for Children) in Dutch (CVO De Oranjerie, Diest, BE)
- C++ computer programming course + JAVA programming course; and Web Design courses: HTML & Java Script
- 200hr Yoga Teacher Training I did this to work with students at The Virtue School
- Permaculture Design Course landscape and cultural design for a self-sustainable future

<u>Professional Experience</u>

- *IB History and TOK, Secondary English Teacher* Jan. '22 Aug. '22 *Erudito Lyceum* Vilnius, Lithuania Guide IB-DP students in History and TOK, and secondary school students in English and History.
- *IB Philosophy Teacher* (plus *HCR* & *English*) Sep. '13 Aug. '16 *Brains International School* Madrid, SP Teach Philosophy in IB-DP (plus History & Culture of Religions and English Conversation, secondary grades 7-9).
- English Teacher Sep. '12 Aug. '13 Collège Sainte Véronique Liège, BE Prepare students for CAE in English immersion program (secondary school grades 11 & 12).
- English Teacher Oct. '11 Aug. '12 Sint Carolus Inst./Sint Godelieve Inst. BE Instruct secondary school students in English Language and Literature (replacement teacher grades 11 & 12).
- *Humanities*, *Techno. & Computer Apps. Teacher* Sep. '10 Aug. '11 *Institut de l'Enfant-Jésus* Nivelles, BE Teach the above classes full-time in an English immersion program (replacement teacher secondary 7-10).
- **English** and **Aesthetics Teacher** Oct. '09 Aug. '10 *K.A. Zaventem/K.A. Etterbeek* (Brussels), BE Teach English full-time and two hours of Aesthetics (replacement teacher secondary school grades 11 & 12).
- Teacher of Philosophy, English and Geography Sep. '06 Aug. '09 European School Mol, Uccle & Ixelles, BE Guide students in Philosophical study and dialogue (European Baccalaureate, grades 12 & 13); Geography (grades 10, 11 & 12); English L2, Rattrapage, Learning Support and SEN (grades 7-11).
- "Professional English" Teacher Sep. '06 Nov. '09 SCVO-BIRM Antwerp, BE Provide Business English lessons to adults in "Enterprise Communication" (ondernemingscommunicatie) and "Insurance" (verzekeringen) curriculums while preparing students for a Certificate in Advanced English (CAE).
- *Web Application Programmer* Feb. 'oo-Nov. 'o2 *Ockham Technology* Mechelen, BE Write software for various web development projects (CGI and PERL programming languages on Linux and Windows O.S.).
- *Philosophy Instructor* Fall Semester '98 *Maple Woods Community College*, USA. Teach *Introduction to Philosophy* course... (I got an AA degree here after finishing HS and before I joined the Army).
- **Chemical Lab Specialist (92D)** Sep. '84 Mar '88 *US Army Environmental Hygiene Agency*. Performed extensive lab-work, testing water, ground & air samples for contamination (from various treatment facilities).
- **Sorter-Package Handler** Sep. '82 Jul. '92 *United Parcel Service* (UPS) KC, KS Work 4-5 hours per night while attending community college and UMKC (counted military time as seniority).

Languages

• English (mother tongue), proficient in Dutch (Level 6 - Academic Dutch), French and Spanish (B1), German (A2).

