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Tennis Coaching Experience

June 2008 – August 2008

Private Tennis Instructor

Self-Employed

- Gave private instruction in the Aurora and Richmond Hill areas

June 2007 – August 2007

Tennis Coach and Camp Instructor

Total Tennis in Aurora (www.TotalTennis.ca)

- Worked with players of all ages and skill levels – from groups of kids as young as 6 years old, to adults
- Supervised tennis camps and conducted evening group lessons

- Assistant Coach – Aurora Community Tennis Club
- Head Coach – Fleury Park tennis camp, Aurora
- Head Coach – Highview Park tennis camp, Aurora

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2006 – 2009

Assistant Coach

Varsity Blues Tennis at the University of Toronto

- Coached the Women's Team to 2 Gold Medals ('06-'07, '07-'08)
- Coached the Men's Team to 1 Gold Medal ('08-'09)

2005 – 2006

Member of the Men's Team

Varsity Blues Tennis at the University of Toronto

- The Men's Team placed 4th in Ontario

Summer 2004

Private Instructor

Public tennis courts at Oak Ridges Public School in Richmond Hill

Having been certified as a Tennis Instructor, I coached younger kids and helped them develop their games through a series of exercises.

My duties included:

- interacting with the kids and their parents: making sure they know what they want to accomplish (their tennis goals) and what they need to do to get there.
- teaching kids about safety on the court: the importance of stretching prior to doing physical exercises, as well as progressively increasing the intensity, so as to avoid an injury.
- conducting tennis drills that are designed to give the kids an opportunity to work on various aspects of their games – forehands, backhands, volleys, serves, and so on.
- giving feedback and highlighting problem areas. In other words, analyzing their games and identifying strengths and weaknesses.
- evaluating the kids' progress and setting new goals as time passes.

Summer 2001

Tennis Camp Assistant

Public tennis courts at Fountainhead Park in North York

I was taking private lessons from certified coach Kostya Tolstoy. He also ran his own tennis camp, composed mainly of Russian and Israeli immigrants, ages 8 to 13. I supervised groups of these youngsters (8 at a time), conducting various elementary tennis drills and organizing social activities such as soccer games and pizza lunches.

My duties included:

- keeping the kids motivated, active and happy
- communicating with some kids in another language (Russian) and translating what they were saying to the others
- acting as a leader and being in charge of tennis drills, court assignments, scoring, and other game-related activities
- reporting back to the head coach (Kostya Tolstoy) with a summary and evaluation of the day's progress, and a recommendation of what should be done the next day

Outstanding Qualities

- Energetic, dedicated and outgoing
- Excellent communication and leadership skills

- Familiar with the diversity of cultures and religions, being a Russian immigrant myself
- Knowledgeable about a broad range of topics, due to my interdisciplinary academic background
- Traveled around Europe, Canada, Russia, and the U.S.
- Goal-oriented and driven to succeed in all aspects of life

Languages Spoken

- English (fluent)
- Russian (fluent)
- French (semi-fluent)
- Spanish (limited)
- German (limited)

Awards and Certifications

- OUA (Ontario University Athletics), Academic Achievement Award, 2007-2008, Tennis.
- Tennis Instructor
- National Lifeguard – Pool
- Standard First Aid with CPR Level “C”

References

Available upon request.