

IDS ALUMNI AT-A-GLANCE: A diversity of career paths...

Program officer at Save the Children Canada - managing multi-country grant

Previous experience:

- Project officer for Save the Children Canada in Bolivia for 2 years
- CIDA internship in Bolivia working with street children
- Internship at Rooftops Canada, an international housing NGO

Post-graduate studies:

- Post graduate certificate in International Project Management at Humber College
- Part-time MSc. in Poverty Reduction and Development Management through the University of Birmingham

Year of graduation: 2004

Latin American Studies area

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade – Has worked with Latin American countries on peace operations, managing relations with the UN, and finally as the Chief of Staff in Afghanistan for the civilian staff deployed to Kandahar province

Previous experience:

- Internship with Aga Khan Foundation on an early childhood education project.
- Pearson Peacekeeping Centre (PPC) in West Africa (6 countries) and focused on building capacity of the police for peace operations.
- Project Manager for CARE Canada for the Asia branch, which included working in East Timor, Ache and Afghanistan.

Year of graduation: 2002

Rural and Agricultural Development area

History teacher at the American International School of Bangkok

Previous experience:

- Teacher's College at U of T
- taught English in Korea
- worked for 6 months at UNESCO headquarters in Paris (funded by Rights and Democracy) in human rights education
- worked as a consultant in Toronto, writing research reports on education, healthcare and IT in the Middle East and Sub-Saharan Africa)
- DFAIT internship in Venezuela with the International Institute for Child Rights and Development

Post-graduate studies: MA in Conflict Studies and Human Rights at Utrecht University in The Netherlands (thesis research at the Centre for International Political Studies in South Africa)

Year of graduation: 2003

Latin American Studies area

Ministry of Government Services (Toronto) – Working in policy research and analysis for the development and implementation of a sustainable procurement policy framework to increase environmental, social, and economic benefits that can be achieved through public procurement opportunities.

Post-graduate studies: Masters of Public Administration in Public and Economic Policy at the London School of Economics

Year of graduation: 2007 Economics and Business Development area

French Immersion Elementary School Teacher – Supports the Me to We movement (www.metowe.com) (Grades 6, 7, &8) at the school, participating in various local field trips (to plant trees, volunteer time at the Food Bank, clean up local parks etc.), as well as fundraisers for the Food Drive, Women's Shelter, Stephen Lewis Foundation and most often Free The Children's international Adopt a Village program.

Year of graduation: 2002 Environment and Development area

Community Justice Worker – John Howard Society of Waterloo-Wellington

Post-graduate studies: Masters in Social Work focusing on Community Planning, Policy, and Organizations

Year of graduation: 2006 Gender and Development area

Canadian Red Cross (in Ottawa) - Working on the development and deployment of Health Emergency Response Units, as well as other capacity development initiatives to assist in international crises.

Previous experience:

- International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent (IFRC) at the Americas Zone Office with the Pan-American Disaster Response Unit (PADRU)
- Jane Goodall Institute on an teacher training program for environmental education project in Uganda, Centre for Asia-Pacific Initiatives at the University of Victoria supporting local NGOs on human rights, conservation, health, migration
- Internship with the Centre for Asia-Pacific Initiatives (CAPI) at the University of Victoria. It was with the Conservation Society of Pohnpei in the Federated States of Micronesia and was funded through CIDA's International Youth Internship Program

Post-graduate studies: MA in Disaster Emergency Management at Royal Roads University

Year of graduation: 2005 Biophysical environment and development area

Field Manager at an Organic Farm

Previous experience:

- Worked with youth in partnership with Toronto Community Housing
- Went to India on a CIDA internship as a Rural Youth Development Officer
- Project Leader (BC) and then Recruitment Officer (ON) for Katimavik

Year of graduation: 2005 Rural and Agricultural Development area

Manager of Corporate Social Responsibility at Goldcorp – Working with the mining industry to improve the environmental and social sustainability of international mining projects

Previous experience:

- Worked and volunteered with various NGOs and has travelled extensively throughout Asia

Year of graduation: 2005 Latin American Studies area

Manager/Settlement Assistant at Matthew House Refugee Reception Services (Toronto)

- Involves elements of advocacy, public education, settlement work, and house co-ordination

Previous experience:

- Internship program at Romero House

Year of graduation: 2008 Historical Perspectives in Development area

World Vision Canada - supporting the Eurasia regional team with a transition and sustainability project

Previous experience:

- World Vision Canada with the HIV and AIDS team supporting the Channels of Hope program
- CIDA internship through Christian Children's Fund of Canada in Nicaragua, working as an HIV and AIDS Monitoring and Evaluation Program Officer

Year of graduation: 2007 Political Economy and Administrative Change

Communications Coordinator for Help Lesotho – Working in donor relations, media liaison, designer for communication materials

Help Lesotho, an Ottawa-based non-profit organization, focuses on education, gender equity and youth leadership training in Lesotho which has the 3rd highest rate of AIDS in the world.

Year of graduation: 2009 Political Economy and Administrative Change

HIV/AIDS Project Manager at SIM Canada

Previous experience: Completed an internship in Burkina Faso through CIDA's [International Youth Internship Program](#)

Year of graduation: 2007 Rural and Agricultural Development area

Project Management Intern with the Ontario Public Service – Working in the Ontario Ministry of the Environment in the Drinking Water Programs Branch.

Previous experience:

- Worked for the Focal Point for Women, as intern at the United Nations Headquarters in the Office of the Special Adviser to the Secretary General on Gender Issues (OSAGI)
- Research Assistant for Catalyst, the largest non-profit organization in North America working on advancing women in business and the professions

Post-graduate studies: M.A. in International Relations from the University of Toronto.

Year of graduation: 2007 Historical Perspectives in Development area