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CAREER OBJECTIVE

Having completed my education from the most prestigious institutes in the world and gained an excellent quality experience in development and policy sectors in Pakistan, working with international organizations, government, and NGOs; I seek to contribute my knowledge and skills in a development -sector organization

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS

Cornell University, USA 2009
Masters in International Development

Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS) 2006
B.Sc. (Hons) Economics

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Economic Affairs Division, GoP, WB Project, Islamabad, Pakistan

Research Analyst August 2006 - August 2007

- Analyzed and evaluated donor-funded projects, program strategies and government policy for the Government of Pakistan
- Worked on aid coordination and providing policy input on improving effectiveness of Official Development Assistance (ODA)
- Evaluation and recommendation on Area Development Projects
- Liaison with donor and implementing agencies
- Designed and managed international conferences

Lahore University of Management Sciences, Lahore, Pakistan

Teaching Assistant July 2006 - August 2006

- Coached and trained two hundred students of the National Outreach Program in verbal skills
- Assisted the program management in reporting through streamlining the information systems of the student records

LUMS Volunteer Society, Lahore, Pakistan

President June 2005 - May 2006

- Initiated, managed and delivered various community service projects for various external stakeholders
- Strengthened and established new collaborations with other development organizations with common goals

- Started training and vocational education programs for student and LUMS staff
- Represented the student community and advocated their interests to the university management

National Commission for Human Development, Islamabad, Pakistan
Intern June 2005 - May 2006

- Assessment and evaluation of projects and assistance to Director of education department
- Field visits to the district offices and projects of Mansehra
- Reported the results of the field visits with analysis of the on-going projects for the delivery mechanisms

Collective for Social Science Research, Karachi, Pakistan
Field Research Consultant August 2005 - October 2005

- Conducted detailed field surveys on political, social and economic dynamics in Thatta, Sindh
- Analyzed survey results gathered during field visits
- Wrote reports and support material for the organization

Devolution Trust for Community Empowerment, UN-nex Project, Islamabad, Pakistan
Research Assistant June 2004 - August 2004

- Assisted in research work to the Chief Technical Advisor on governance issues
- Analyzed the effectiveness of Citizen Community Boards (CCBs) establishment process
- Assessing the performance of social and community projects

PROJECTS

Tuzla Summer Institute, Bosnia - Completed Under: Cornell University May 2008

- Role: Project Program Officer
- Project Description: The Head of Cornell Institute of Public Administration established a group of consultants. The team planned, designed and executed a full scale capacity building project on sustainable basis for the Youth of Tuzla, Bosnia. The group also secured funding and designed its modes through key partners including USAID.

Devolution Support Project - Completed Under: Lahore University of Management Sciences July 2004 - January 2006

- Designed detailed surveys for assessing the economic political and

social environment of the districts under study

- Conducted survey in the field for various villages of district Lodhran, Khanewal and Sargodah
- Performed statistical analysis and comparative study on the effectiveness of newly established local government systems

Project for Supporting LUMS Support Staff - Completed Under: Lahore University of Management Sciences October 2004 - May 2005

- Role: Project Manager
- Initiated and managed Adult literacy and training program for support staff of LUMS which included janitorial and security staff

ADDITIONAL SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE

Geographic Information Systems (GIS)

Econometrics software: SPSS, STATA

Microsoft Office Suite

Communication Skills

HONORS AND AWARDS

Fulbright Scholarship, United States Education Foundation
August 2007 – May 2009

International Visitors Leadership Program, US, United States State Dept
September – October 2004
"Student Leadership and Civic Responsibilities"

Full Academic Scholarship for Undergraduate Program, Lahore University of Management Sciences
August 2002 – July 2006

National Physics Talent Contest, PAEC
July 2001

CONFERENCES/SEMINARS

Seminar of Poverty Policy and Practice for South Asian Government Officials, Beijing, China (June 2007)

Organized by International Poverty Reduction Centre, China

Pakistan Development Forum (April 2007)

- Part of the core organizing team
- Designed and managed the program for this international forum
- Closely coordinated with the key note speakers and dignitaries