

Niloofar Bagheri Jebelli

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Education

Masters of Arts, George Mason University, Fairfax December 2017
Interdisciplinary Studies, Concentration: Computational Social Science
GPA: 3.89

Bachelor of Arts, University of Maryland, College Park May 2013
Anthropology and Middle East Studies, Concentration: Political and Cultural Behavior
GPA: 3.60 Dean's List, Fall 2009-Spring 2013

Diploma in Humanities and Literature, Narjes High School, Tehran, Iran June 2009
GPA: 3.68

Work Experience

Long & Foster, Bethesda, MD

Real Estate Agent, May 2015 - Present

- Elicited property requirements from the buyers
- Researched and presented purchasing options to buyers
- Conducted property market value assessments
- Advised clients on market conditions, prices, mortgages and legal requirements
- Executed market analysis report on Northwest DC real estate development company patterns

Independent Consultant, Tehran, Iran

Translator & Instructor, February 2010 - Present

- Translated papers and research material from English to Persian for www.anthropology.ir on topics ranging from political anthropology to philosophy
- Prepared multiple military, government, etc. students for OPI and DLP examinations

Berlitz Language Center, Odenton, MD

Persian Language Instructor, October 2013 – August 2016

- Kept student records and profile cards up to date
- Delivered lessons focusing on the interests and needs of students
- Participated in the performance evaluation plan
- Integrated learning technology into teaching programs

Clark Football Languages Ltd., College Park, MD

Persian/English Translator for 2014 World Cup, June 2014 - July 2014

- Translated audio interviews for the 2014 Brazil FIFA World Cup
- Transcribed and edited the content of audios into CFL data base

Eurasia Foundation, Washington DC

Outreach Intern for the Parto Online School of Advocacy, January 2014 - May 2014

- Manage and strategize for all the social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter & Instagram) of the school
- Write and translate related articles for the website (www.partotarvij.org)
- Write and edit quarterly reports for the school donors

National Iranian American Council, Washington DC

Foreign Policy Intern, May 2013 - August 2013, DC Metropolitan Area Ambassador, April 2013 - May 2014

- Translate articles and website materials (www.niacouncil.org) from English to Persian
- Plan community organizing trainings in an initiative to empower the Iranian-American community
- Planned and organized briefings regarding Iran issues on Capitol Hill
- Managed and utilized extensive database software including Convio Luminate and Salesforce

Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA

Independent Contractor, December 2013 - February 2014

- Delivered Persian Language Farsi Parser testing consultation
- Accomplished bilingual research on Economic idioms to add to the testing database

Persian Flagship at UMCP, College Park, MD

Project Assistant, June 2012 - June 2013

- Provided support on an assessment project led by Dr. Ali Abasi and Center for Advanced Study of Language (CASL) to create a Persian Proficiency Test at the Persian Flagship

University of Maryland, College Park, MD

Conversation Partner, September 2011 - May 2013

- Assisted graduate students with Persian proficiency at the Persian Flagship Program
- Instructed students on speech accuracy

Persian Flagship at UMCP, College Park, MD

Teaching Assistant, June 2012 - July 2012

- Led weekly discussion classes for students at the Persian Summer Institute
- Graded class work done by the students of the second level of Persian
- Coordinated cultural events for all the students including Persian calligraphy, cooking, music, etc.

National Science Foundation Project, Towson, MD

Research Assistant, June 2011 - July 2011

- Assisted Professor Matthew Durington & Professor Samuel G. Collins with a project called "Anthropology by the Wire," in affiliation with Towson University
- Published research material with a focus on social issues in west Baltimore which was certified and funded by the National Science Foundation

Iranshenasi-e-Mehr, Tehran, Iran

Tour Guide, August 2008 - May 2009

- Coordinated events at this non-profit organization which was funded under Iran's Cultural Heritage, Handicrafts and Tourism Organization
- Led tours to different historical and natural locations in Iran including Tepe Sialk in Kashan, Ardestan in Isfahan, etc.

Leadership Experience

Member, **Tau Sigma National Honor Society**, February 2012 - Present

Board Member, **Public Affairs Alliance of Iranian Americans' NexGen DC**, August 2012 - 2013

SGA Representative, **UMCP Provost Student Advisory Council**, November 2012 - May 2013

President, **UMCP Interfaith Council**, June 2012 - May 2013

BSOS Legislator, **UMCP Student Government Association**, February 2012 - May 2013

SGA Representative, **UMCP BSOS Dean's Student Advisory Council**, February 2012 - May 2013

Event Coordinator, **UMCP Friend (The Jewish Islamic Alliance)**, September 2011 - December 2012

Vice President, **CCBC Multicultural Student Association**, 2010 - 2011
Member, **Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society**, 2010 - 2011
Event Planner, **CCBC Anthropology Club**, February 2010 - May 2010
SGA Representative, **CCBC International Student Association**, 2009 - 2010

Lectures and Proposals

Policy Proposal Writer, “**Open-Source Textbooks**” proposal at UMCP, May 2013

- Passed by the Dean’s Student Advisory Council of the College of Behavioral and Social Sciences
- Enacted and implemented across University of Maryland as of fall 2014

Presenter, “**Tolerance and Its Challenges**” at MD Collegiate Honors Council, St. Mary’s College, March 2011

Panel Participant, “**Life and Circumstances in the Middle East**”, CCBC MD, November 2010

Panelist, **Middle East Panel hosted by Anthropology Club**, CCBC MD, March 2011

Internships and Volunteerism

Volunteer, **Omid-Mehr Foundation**, October 2014-present

Intern, **National Museum of Language**, January 2012-August 2012

Participant, **Native American Indian Immersion Alternative Break Trip to South Carolina UMCP**, August 2012

Active Member, **Zafaranieh and Niavarani Observatories**, 2005-2009

Campaigner, **Mir Hossein Mousavi’s Iranian Presidential Campaign**, June 2009

Skills

- Foreign language proficiency: Persian, Native speaker; English, fluent; Arabic, working proficiency; Hebrew, Basic
- Programming language proficiency: NetLogo, working proficiency; Python: working proficiency
- GIS software proficiency: ArcGIS, working proficiency; QGIS, working proficiency
- Proficient in PC, Microsoft Office Suite, AAA style, NetLogo, Google Analytics, Convio Luminate, SalesForce, Adobe Fireworks, Facebook, Twitter and Instagram
- Strong working knowledge of translation of articles in Persian/English in various fields ranging from politics to technology
- Strong knowledge of writing proposals ranging from grants to policy proposals
- Strong knowledge of academic track and curriculum assessment
- Hold certificates from Anthropology by the Wire program and the UMCP Dean’s Student Advisory Council

Cover Letter

5550 Columbia Pike, apt 1062
Arlington, VA 22204

January 28, 2017

DSPG Fellow Program Coordinator
Biocomplexity Institute of Virginia Tech
Arlington, VA 22203

Dear DSPG Fellow Program Coordinator

I am writing this letter in response to a posting on the website of the Social and Analytics Laboratory at Virginia Tech, for the DSPG Fellow program in summer 2017. My academic major at George Mason University is Interdisciplinary Studies with concentration on Computational Social Science. The DSPG Fellow Program allows me to pull from my background in various fields and add to my knowledge and experience while contributing to the projects at the Social and Analytics Laboratory.

My projects as a Masters student have been focused on computationally examining the behavior of people and environments. I have modelled real estate commission policies with respect to income, performance, learning, revenue, etc. I am finishing a model on Gobekli Tepe, an ancient worship site located in Southern Turkey. This model is mainly focused on the cultural diffusion and emergence of agriculture. In developing my thesis, I am demonstrating the life cycle of a city through an agent-based model where growth, shrinkage and gentrification are portrayed. All of my academic and professional background compliments my interest in SDAL's Data Science for the Public Good program. I can contribute to the program in pursuing community-based research projects on real-world issues.

I have enclosed my resume that highlights my academic and professional experience, and a transcript for your review. Please feel free to contact me should you need additional information. I may be reached by e-mail at nbagherijebelli@gmail.com or telephone at 410-336-9993. Thank you for your consideration and time.

Sincerely,

Niloofer Bagheri Jebelli
George Mason University