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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine, Washington, DC 09/2009 – Present

Project Manager/Program Officer, Gulf Research Program, 12/2020 – Present

Led strategy, project management, and process development of grantmaking programs for health equity, mental health, and community resilience to climate change.

- Oversaw a portfolio of 30+ grants worth \$50M from grant proposal to execution of grant agreement, reporting, and evaluation while assessing portfolio to execute impactful grantmaking to increase learning and improvement.
- Led effort to update grantmaking policies and procedures, resulting in reduced time to award grants by 50%, while integrating diversity, equity, and inclusion principles into the program's funding efforts.
- Improved grantmaking procedures resulted in 24 grants awarded within one year, the same number of grants awarded over a 7-year period since the program started.
- Performed data analyses to evaluate grants and to identify potential research gaps to fill and pinpoint opportunities for future funding investments.
- Managed cross-functional matrixed teams (IT, Finance, Legal) to implement and improve grantmaking systems.

Project Manager/Program Officer, Global Health Research Program and Implementation Science Training, 09/2015 – 12/2020

Responsible for developing program planning, strategy, implementation, reporting, and budgeting & forecasting for international grantmaking/philanthropic programs (funded by USAID), ensuring compliance, verifying expenditures, and developing risk mitigation plans.

- Co-led 2 implementation science training courses for 50+ researchers in Asia and the Middle East.
- Designed and operationalized, in less than half-a-year, a \$6M grant program focused on health systems strengthening in Liberia, resulting in the first-ever Family Medicine Residency program in the country.
- Managed portfolio of 40+ health research grants (maternal and child health, family planning, nutrition, HIV, TB, cancer, and infectious diseases) in Africa, Asia Pacific, Latin America, and the Middle East worth \$20M+ by providing technical and operational support to achieve +90% key performance indicators.
- Identified creative and unique solutions to develop grant business processes, documentation, and systems improvements.
- Trained staff on grants management database and grants lifecycle manager software.

Project Manager/Associate Program Officer, Global Health Research Program, 09/2014 – 09/2015

Designed and developed grant making program and processes to address health needs in low- and middle-income countries funded by USAID. Managed a grant portfolio of 26 global health research projects in Africa and Asia, worth \$10.5M.

- Chaired research protocol review panels to address health study design issues, statistical analyses, and human subjects research concerns while improving process efficiency by reducing time for review by 50%.
- Trained and mentored 5 new staff on organization/program policies and procedures.

Program Coordinator, Reducing Maternal and Neonatal Mortality in Indonesia, 02/2011- 09/2014

- Managed 10-member committee to develop consensus policy recommendations to strengthen the healthcare system in Indonesia to reduce maternal and neonatal mortality. Recommendations resulted in policy change to establish the Indonesia Science Fund to support research to reduce maternal and neonatal mortality rates.

Senior Program Assistant, Board on Global Health, 09/2009- 02/2011

- Managed the drafting of four workshop reports on infectious diseases surveillance and antibiotic resistance. Reduced time to produce reports by 20% allowing leadership to disseminate reports quicker to policymakers.

The American University in Cairo, Cairo, Egypt**08/2008 – 07/2009****Presidential Associate, John D. Gerhart Center for Philanthropy & Civic Engagement**

- Mentored 4 student leaders in developing a renewable energy community development project utilizing a community-centered participatory approach, resulting in all 4 students pursuing careers in climate change resilience.
- Developed and designed training manuals on service-learning and corporate social responsibility, resulting in training of 50+ university faculty members in service-learning teaching pedagogy.

EDUCATION

Master of Public Health, Epidemiology	Milken Institute School of Public Health The George Washington University	2016
Thesis: <i>Association between family history of diabetes and weight change in the Diabetes Prevention Program</i>		
BS, Biology and Anthropology-Zoology	University of Michigan, Ann Arbor	2008

AWARDS

2017	Outstanding Service to the Academies, National Academy of Sciences
2015	Elected into Delta Omega Public Health Honor Society
2013	National Institute of Child Health & Human Development Group Collaboration Award, NIH
2012	Excellence in International Collaboration, National Academy of Sciences

SKILLS

- Professional:** Strategy planning, project management, grant making, and statistical analysis
- Computer:** Microsoft 365, Endnote, SAS, Adobe Photoshop, Asana, SmartSheet, Slack
- Language & Interests:** Polish (fluent), traveling (60+ countries), and riding every single subway/metro in the world

CONTRIBUTED PUBLICATIONS

- Nguyen HV, Brals D, Tiemersma E, **Gasior R**, Nguyen NV, Nguyen HB, Van Nguyen H, Le Thi NA, Cobelens F. Influence of Sex and Sex-Based Disparities on Prevalent Tuberculosis, Vietnam, 2017-2018. *Emerg Infect Dis.* 2023 May;29(5):967-976. doi: 10.3201/eid2905.221476. PMID: 37081548; PMCID: PMC10124636.
- National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine. 2021. Science Diplomacy to Promote and Strengthen Basic Research and International Cooperation: Proceedings of a Workshop—in Brief. Washington, DC: The National Academies Press. <https://doi.org/10.17226/26182>.

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10. Institute of Medicine. 2010. *The Domestic and International Impacts of the 2009-H1N1 Influenza A Pandemic: Global Challenges, Global Solutions: Workshop Summary*. Washington, DC: The National Academies Press. <https://doi.org/10.17226/12799>.