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Professional Summary

Interdisciplinary social scientist with extensive experience in research and teaching at leading universities, research institutes, think tanks; policy analyst, strategist and project manager in humanitarian/development fields; journalist and curator of public programmes; career spanning higher education, public policy, media and the arts in Europe, Asia, Africa, and the US.

Appointments (current)

2024 Iméra Resident Fellow, Institute for Advanced Study, Université Aix-Marseille
2021-4: Migration Policy Specialist, Heinrich Böll Stiftung, Africa Division

Previous

2019-2020 Coordinator & Film Curator, Lahore Biennale Foundation
2014-2019 Research Fellow, Leibniz-Zentrum Moderner Orient, Berlin
2014 Madeleine Haas Visiting Professor of South Asian Studies, Brandeis University, Boston
2009-2016: Assistant Professor at the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, Lahore University of Management Sciences, Lahore
2008-9 Scott Trust Bursary Recipient, The Guardian, London
2001-2008 Doctoral Researcher, European University Institute, Florence
2003-4 Research Officer, Migration Research Unit, UCL Geography Department, London

Education

2009 MA Journalism, Goldsmiths University (fully funded), Upper second class honours
2008 PhD History, European University Institute (fully funded), Florence, Italy
2001 MA Modern History, UCL, Pass with distinction
1998 BA Modern History, UCL Department of History, Upper second class honours

Skills

Research: Policy analyst and qualitative researcher of migration, ecology, media
Teaching: Design, delivery, evaluation of courses and curricula at university level
Editorial: Multi-format writer, commissioning editor, publication manager
Communication: Regular public speaker, panellist, moderator, lecturer
Media Practice: Print journalism, filmmaking, podcasting, curating and public programming
Strategy: Annual/triannual grant applications, programme design, planning, evaluation
Management: Senior international project and grant manager, team coordinator
Outreach: Networking, partnership development, event organization
Administration: Budgets, procurement, preparing/processing invoices and contracts

Languages

English, Urdu (mother tongues)
Working knowledge of French, German, Italian