

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE***Manager, Innovation & Entrepreneurship Programs, Northeast Clean Energy Council* July 2016 – Nov. 2017**

- Managed cleantech innovation resource networks and connection services, supporting a portfolio of 30+ incubators and accelerators and their startups in 7 states in the Northeast US, primarily by:
- Evaluating startup commercialization readiness and making connections to investors, customers, experts, and talent.
- Designing and executing networking events and stakeholder convenings, public and private, virtual and in-person.
- Growing the NYC investor network and connecting them to regional networks of investors, startups, and incubators.
- Managing the online Navigate resource databases and connection services, and StartupGPS.org commercialization toolkit.
- Developing, tracking, and analyzing KPIs and preparing impact reports for funders.
- Serving as Cleantech Open NE accelerator Alumni Co-chair and founding Social Impact Committee Member.

***Partnerships Manager, Urban Future Lab, New York University School of Engineering* Sep. 2015 – July 2016**

- Managed external partnerships and community relations, acting as the public face of UFL/ACRE cleantech incubator.
- Planned and launched the first Urban Future Competition and Urban Future Investors Network convening, as well as many other public and private events for startups and key stakeholders in the cleantech innovation ecosystem.
- Managed incubator communications, including newsletter publication, social media strategy, and public speaking.
- Took on additional responsibilities to become the Program Manager for two education programs - Clean Start, a cleantech professional training program; and SPIKE, an entrepreneurship fellowship program.

***Program Administrator, The Governance Lab, NYU School of Engineering* Sep. 2014 – Sep. 2015**

- Managed operations, communications, and budgeting at a fast-paced civic innovation technology think-do tank.
- Designed and implemented events portfolio, as well as community engagement and social media strategies.
- Supported the Chief Communications Officer to develop and implement outreach and external relations strategic plans.
- Acted as the public face of GovLab and collaborated with partners from NYU, government, nonprofits, and business.

***Budget Assistant, Financial Operations and Budget Analysis, NYU Global Programs* Nov. 2013 – Sep. 2014**

- Collaborated with a team to manage an \$80m budget and financial operations for 11 international study abroad sites.
- Supported oversight of operating and grant budgets through financial analysis and report preparation, ensuring compliance with policies and procedures and Federal and international law.
- Liaised with high-level NYU offices, such as Budget, Treasury, Legal, Internal Audit, HR, IT, Facilities, Public Safety, Academics, Student Services, schools, academic departments, and the global site administrators.

***Administrative Aide, NYU Center for European and Mediterranean Studies* Jan. 2010 – Nov. 2013**

- Oversaw daily office operations and provided operational leadership during Asst. Director position vacancy, including budget management, faculty support, event planning, student advising, and staff management.

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE***Project Associate, United Nations Capital Development Fund* Sep. 2015 – May 2016**

- Wrote proposal to integrate market-based solutions and private sector investment into UNCDF's 'Local Adaptive Climate Living Facility' in Cambodia and internationally, as part of NYU Advanced Capstone in international policy and finance.
- Researched business models, financing strategies, and markets to scale-up and sustain new UNCDF programs.
- Conducted interviews in Cambodia with key stakeholders from government, financial institutions, social enterprises, donors, investors, and farmers to identify potential climate resilient investments.

***NYU Wagner School of Public Service Alliance for Climate and Environment (ACE)* Feb. 2014 – May 2016**

- **Advisor** - Expanded ACE's network and connected Executive Board to sustainability networks at NYU and in NYC.
- **Founder & Communications Manager** - Founded sustainability advocacy organization promoting knowledge sharing and innovative solutions to climate and energy challenges, principally through events, outreach, and advocacy. Designed and executed communications strategy to maximize engagement throughout NYU and NYC communities.

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Consultant, Agile Development Group

Sep. 2014 – Jan. 2015

- Developed three-year financial plan, including seed capital and investment analyses, and researched prospective investors to launch a hybrid social enterprise providing sustainable solutions to improve livelihoods of Cambodian farmers.

EDUCATION

New York University Wagner School of Public Service, M.P.A., International Policy and Finance

May 2016

- Research Interests: Innovative market-based solutions and public-private investment for sustainable development.
- Relevant Coursework: Impact Investing, Financial Management of International Organizations, Econometrics, Governance of Public-Private Finance, Data-Driven Performance, Program Analysis & Evaluation, Managing Multi-Sector Partnerships

NYU Graduate School of Arts and Science, Institute of French Studies, M.A., Politics and History

Sep. 2013

NYU College of Arts and Science, B.A., Linguistics and French

May 2009

SKILLS & ACHIEVEMENTS

Communications and Design: Wordpress, MailChimp, Eventbrite, MS Office Suite, social media platforms

Financial and Statistical: Budget management and reporting software, SPSS, STATA

Foreign Languages: French (Near-native with professional F>E translation experience), Spanish and Hebrew (Elementary)

Publications and Public Speaking:

- Panelist: *Careers in Social Innovation and Impact Investing*, New York University **Nov. 2017**
- Guest Speaker: *Social Innovation and Investment Alliance Soirée*, New York University **Oct. 2017**
- Author: *Market-Based Innovations in Subnational Climate Change Management*, UNCDF **May 2016**
- Guest Speaker: *UNCDF LoCAL Annual Board Meeting*, United Nations **Apr. 2016**
- Panelist: *Climate Action Event featuring NY State Governor Andrew Cuomo*, New York University **Oct. 2015**
- Author: Bobadilla, V. and Harris, E. (2015), *Through the Student Lens: A Review of Understanding Environmental Policy*. *Public Administrative Review*, 75: 633–635. doi:10.1111/puar.12411 **June 2015**