

CURRICULUM VITAE

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CURRENT EMPLOYMENT: **Doctoral Researcher**

NATIONALITY: **United States**

OVERVIEW

Michaëlle is a PhD student at the Institute of Development Studies in the Cities and Conflict Clusters. She has worked as a researcher and statistician for international organisations such as World Food Programme, UNICEF, and UNESCO, and has field experience in South America, Southeast Asia, South Asia and Sub-Saharan Africa. Her PhD research focuses on the wellbeing strategies of Syrian Refugees residing in Southeast Asia.

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS

2012 – 2016	PhD Institute of Development Studies, University of Sussex
2008 – 2010	MA Economics Korb School of International Studies, University of Denver
2002 – 2006	BA International Affairs Northern Arizona University

SELECTED EXPERIENCE

SELECTED EXTERNAL CONSULTANCIES

World Food Programme (WFP), Headquarters

Consultant – Purchase for Progress (Jul-Nov 2015)
Rome, Italy

- Independently designed and developed evaluation for agricultural development programme
- Evaluated and synthesized programme documents
- Conducted fieldwork (interviews/site visits) in Ethiopia, Guatemala, and Rwanda
- Analysed and documented best practices/lessons learned in 25-page document and accompanying 3 page policy brief

United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF), Nepal Country Office

Consultant – Social Protection Unit (Dec 2014)

- Edited, reviewed and provided research inputs for a global social protection report
- Bore sole responsibility of finalising report and submitting for publication: *Conducting an Institutional Assessment and Providing Capacity Development and Training on Social Protection in Nepal*

United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)

Consultant - Education Policy Reform Unit (Aug 2013-Jan 2014)
Bangkok, Thailand

- Compiled and analyzed data and information on the Mekong Sub Region to support costing of teacher needs
- Wrote literature review entitled *Teacher Shortages in the Mekong Sub Region*
- Contributed to teacher simulation exercises

United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF), Regional Office for South Asia

Consultant – Social Policy (Nov 2012-Mar 2013)

- Conducted an in depth policy review on key literature on urbanization in the Asia-Pacific Region
- Produced 50 page report/review on urbanization challenges and prospects in the region: *Urbanization in the Asia-Pacific Region: Trends, Issues, and Interventions*
- Coordinated and liaised with organizations and institutions to form urbanization network
- Prepared policy brief to be disseminated among governing bodies and UNICEF offices

RECORD OF EMPLOYMENT

United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF), Regional Office for South Asia

Study Manager – Education (Oct 2011- Sep 2012)

Kathmandu, Nepal

United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)

Programme Officer - Education Policy Reform Unit (May 2010-Oct 2011)

Bangkok, Thailand

United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP)

Statistician (Dec 2009-May 2010)

Bangkok, Thailand

Rocky Mountain Survivors Center for Victims of Torture and Trauma

Case Manager/ Interpreter (Apr 2009-Oct 2009)

Denver, CO, USA

United States Peace Corps

Development Worker, Youth and Families Programme (June 2006-August 2008)

Ibarra, Ecuador

PUBLICATIONS AND OTHER OUTPUTS

- End of Decade Notes on Education for All: Goal 2. *UNESCO & UNICEF* (2013).
- UNESCO Handbook on Education Policy Analysis and Programming. *UNESCO Bangkok* (2013).
- Decentralized Finance and Provision of Basic Education: Asia-Pacific Education System Review Series No. 4. *UNESCO Bangkok* (2013).
- Education Finance and Decentralization in Asia - Implications for Service Delivery. *UNESCO BANGKOK* (2010).
- Child Labor in Latin America: Poverty as Cause and Effect. *Human Rights and Human Welfare*, 31-43 (2008).