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EDUCATION

PhD, International Development
Tulane University, New Orleans, Louisiana Graduated: May 16, 2016

MS, International Economic Development, *Magna Cum Laude*
Tulane University, New Orleans, Louisiana Graduated: May 13, 2006

MEd, International Education, *Summa Cum Laude*
Framingham State College, Katowice, Poland Branch Graduated: Aug. 31, 2003

BA, Religion, Concentration in Philosophy
Mary Washington College, Fredericksburg, Virginia Graduated: May 12, 2001

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Visiting Assistant professor of International Development
Tulane University Jul. 2021 - Present

Teaching cross-listed International Development/Political Science material,

Courses include:

- POLS 5000, "Honors Thesis"
- SPHU 4550, "Capstone Independent Study"
- PSDV 4330-01/02, "Post-Conflict Development"
- PSDV 3200, "Development Issues & Strategies"
- POLC 3011, "The Rise of Christian Nationalism"
- PSDV 3011, "Sustainable Tourism"
- PSDV 2400, "Introduction to International Development"

Adjunct Professor of International Development
Tulane University Jan. 2019 – Jul. 2021
Teaching cross-listed International Development/Political Science material,
focusing on improving research and writing skills as well as analyzing content
from multiple disciplines.

Co-Founder & Chairman HIV Awareness “iKnow” Initiative
Global Livingston Institute, Uganda & Rwanda Jan. 2014 - Aug. 2020
Annually planned and executes large-scale health initiatives anchored in a
region-wide festival sequence; now the largest concerts in East Africa. Thus far
produced eight series, twenty-one concerts in the region to revitalize the local
economy, jumpstart tourism industry, and improve the health of the surrounding
region by providing access to medical care, specifically over 35,000 HIV tests.
Works with diplomatic missions, development NGOs, community leaders,
private donors, and foundations around the world.

Founder & Director
Wahida Unity Project Jan. 2011 - Present

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Using music and the arts to foster greater relations between the US and the Islamic World. Hosted academic seminars and studied Sufi music and poetry in Lucknow and Lahore. Recorded an album in Nashville with 20 artists entitled “The Sufi Second Line” of Louisiana folk and gospel songs performed in Arabic and Urdu. Performances across the country including at the Rothko Chapel, major festivals in Nashville and New Orleans. Regular events in Gentilly, New Orleans bringing key stakeholders together to explore further solutions to protracted social problems.

Licensed Tour Guide

City of New Orleans

Jun. 2007 – Present

Worked with numerous companies, schools, and universities to present historical and apocryphal tales pertaining to New Orleans’ history and culture. Areas of specialty include French Quarter legends, religious history of Louisiana, myth-busting, and the paranormal. Given over 2,000 talks, tours, and interviews as well as appearances on A&E, History Travel, Travel Channel, Sci-Fi, Discovery, and the independent film, 30 Days in the Bowl

Prevention & Education Program Manager

Odyssey House Louisiana (OHL), New Orleans

Dec. 2015-Oct. 2018

Oversaw strategic planning and development of multiple five-year, multi-million-dollar SAMHSA-funded program and operations, facilitated outreach and recruitment; supervised data collection; trained staff and coordinated with various grantors. Responsible for Medicaid enrollment applications, field testing for HIV and HEP C, voter registration, all reporting to local, state, and federal partners.

General Manager WHIV-LP 102.3FM

NOSIDA/OHL, New Orleans

Jan. 2015 –Jan. 2016

Handled growth and development of a start-up radio station focusing on Public Health, Human Rights, and Social Justice. Duties included forming partnerships with other nonprofits, businesses, governmental agencies and key stakeholders. Dealt extensively with community leaders and elected representatives. Built, trained, and managed a team of more than 70 volunteer hosts, DJs, interns, content committee members, etc.

Instructor and Teacher’s Assistant

Tulane University, New Orleans

Aug. 2008 – Dec. 2013

Preparing and team-teaching classes, grading papers and presentations, providing office hour assistance and coaching to students. Courses included:

- Introduction to International Development – 100 level
- Approaches to Sustainable Development - 300 level
- Organizational Leadership and Management of NGOs in the Developing World - 600 level

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Founder and Chairman of Board of Directors

Voices for International Business & Education, New Orleans

Aug. 2008 – Dec. 2013

Assisted in drawing up Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, and Type 2 Charter for the International High School. Active in fund-raising, grant-writing, publicity, and governance of the nonprofit organization and the International High School of New Orleans which it services. Regular interactions with representatives of foreign nations, chambers of commerce, as well as local, state, and federal governments. Oversaw budget of \$5 million

Professor of English Literature

Polonia University, Czestochowa, Poland

Oct. 2001 – Jun. 2004

Teaching the history of English literature from *Beowulf* to Oscar Wilde focusing on the historical context in which each piece was written, students read, analyzed and presented aspects of the texts to the class, with discussion and debate

OTHER SKILLS, EXPERIENCES, & AWARDS

Languages – Urdu: highly proficient

Hindi: proficient

Polish: intermediate

Arabic: basic

Hollywood Film Consultant

April 2018 - Present

Works with Faster Horse Pictures and other production companies to ensure historical accuracy and appropriateness during process from script development to final editing

<https://deadline.com/2021/06/conjuring-saw-director-darren-lynn-bousman-spiral-new-horror-movie-lalaurie-mansion-1234772773/>

Club President & District 6840 Grants Chair

July 2016 – Present

Rotary Club of New Orleans Riverbend – oversees hundreds of grant applications sent in from 52 clubs district wide and ensures transparent and compliant implementation of them in this community and globally.

Grant Recipient – Tulane University

Summer 2020

Center for Engaged Learning and Teaching (CELT), Technology-assisted Classroom Enhancement Grant.

Executive Committee Member

Oct. 1, 2017 – Mar. 2020

New Orleans Regional AIDS Planning Council - Developing and maintaining a comprehensive system of care for People Living with HIV (PLWH) in the 8-parish area. NORAPC is the public planning body that plans for the distribution of federal Ryan White Part A funds.

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Fellow – Aspen Institute Spring 2020
Selected from highly competitive pool of candidates to attend the Aspen Ideas Festival (Health) as a funded fellow.

Fellow – Institute of Politics (IOP) Class of 2017
Loyola University, New Orleans’ premier leadership training seminar designed to groom the next generation of Louisiana politicians

Fellow – New Leaders Council (NLC) Class of 2017
Institute, Louisiana Chapter – competitive leadership training program for progressive millennials working towards building a new governing coalition

Distinguished Master of Advocacy Award Nov. 10, 2016
National Association of Community Health Centers (NHCC) honoring my efforts to support and secure access to health centers across Louisiana

Member – Louisiana Historical Society (LHS) 2008 - Present
Founded in 1835, the LHS is dedicated to accurate understanding and dissemination of information pertaining to the people, land, culture, and lore of Louisiana.

Outstanding Young Alumnus Award May 2014
Recognized by Mary Washington University for my efforts in community organizing and rebuilding the education sector in New Orleans post-Katrina

Gambit Weekly’s 40 Under 40 Nov. 2011
Honored as one of New Orleans’s most accomplished citizens under 40 for contributions in the field of education
https://www.nola.com/gambit/news/article_a03b477a-e49e-5c06-9579-9371dad42f6a.html

Critical Language Scholarship Recipient Summer 2010
US Department of State – Council on American Overseas Research Centers
Part of the 1% of applicants given an opportunity to partake in the intensive study of Urdu language, literature, and culture, Lucknow, India

Times Picayune’s Young Urban Rebuilding Professionals Aug.18, 2007
Featured as part of New Orleans’ post-Katrina “Brain Gain”

PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

Sociology International Journal November 2019
“Music as a vehicle for reducing HIV stigma and increasing access to testing in rural Uganda: A quasi-experimental, mixed-methods study”

Poster Presentation: November 2017

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“Music festivals to facilitate sexual health education and sexual health services in Rural Uganda.” Ward A, Callanan C, Rothfuss C, Nabimanya H, Adams J, Ntawiha H, Atunairwe N, Anguyo G, Namuddu M, Matovu T, Mugabe B, Thrun M, Van Leeuwen J. American Public Health Association (APHA) Annual Meeting and Expo 2017 - Atlanta, Georgia, USA.

Poster Presentation: October 2017
“Music festivals can serve as a catalyst for the provision of effective sexual health services.” Ward A, Rothfuss C, Nabimanya H, Adams J, Ntawiha H, Atunairwe N, Anguyo G, McLean S, Tesconi W, Grundy R, Namuddu M, Matovu T, Mugabe B, Thrun M, Van Leeuwen J.M. Poster Presentation, Global Health Symposium, UC Denver, Anschutz Medical Campus, Colorado, USA.

International Journal of Community Development June 2017
“Music Festivals Serving as a Catalyst for Collaborative HIV Prevention; Education and Expanded HIV Testing in Rural Uganda”.

Tulane University Doctoral Dissertation May 2016
“Impacts of working in the New Orleans Tourism Industry on workers’ levels of security, opportunity, empowerment and quality of life”.

Barataria Communications “*A Bourbon Street Sojourn*” April 2016
Award-winning poetical fiction piece about a young boy lost on Bourbon Street during Southern Decadence who finds his way home with the assistance of a 6-foot Creole gentleroach

International Journal of Ethnic and Social Studies June 2010
“Addressing the past and considering the future: An interdisciplinary examination of Afghanistan’s development”.

Matt Shelton Theatre, San Francisco, CA - *Indigo Don’t Vote* February 2004
Co-playwright of well-received play with extended run and timely message
<https://www.sfweekly.com/calendar/disappear-here/>

International Experience January 1979 - Present

- Raised in Saudi Arabia (2 years), North Yemen (3 years), Egypt (5 years)
- Lived, worked, and studied in India (5 years) and Poland (3 years)
- Worked and/or conducted research in El Salvador, France, French Polynesia, Greece, Guatemala, Israel, Mali, Pakistan, Palestine, Rwanda, Sri Lanka, Switzerland, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Uganda, Uzbekistan

Tourist travel in Austria, Bahamas, Belgium, Bermuda, Bulgaria, China, Czech Republic, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Jordan, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Mexico, Netherlands, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, United Kingdom, Ukraine, Vatican City

MEDIA APPEARANCES & INTERVIEWS

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Tourism Industry

- *Out to Lunch* on WWNO April 20, 2022

<https://itsneworleans.com/2022/04/20/pet-tourism/>

- *Tulane Hullabaloo* October 14, 2020

<https://tulanehullabaloo.com/54617/uncategorized/tulane-professor-andrew-ward-discusses-new-orleans-and-the-tourism-industry/>

HIV Awareness iKnow Concert Series

- Kabalega News – Hoima, Uganda December 7, 2019

<https://fb.watch/clkmYcMPtB/>

- Reach a Hand Uganda’s Promotional Video December 1, 2019

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JzUto_cWuzs

- Loyola University Podcasts September 9, 2019

<http://cmm.loyno.edu/podcasts/iknow-concert-series>

- *University of Mary Washington Magazine* Spring 2019

<https://magazine.umw.edu/spring2019/departments/music-festival-helps-medical-care-go-down/>

- *The Buzz* TV – Kigali, Rwanda March 4, 2019

<https://youtu.be/3Mw3jAAArYk>

- Concert Series promo January 30, 2019

<https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=2343475439232679>

- *It’s New Orleans* “Happy Hour” October 17, 2017

<https://itsneworleans.com/2017/10/11/employees-must-wash-hands-after-exposing-themselves-happy-hour-its-new-orleans/>

- WWNO “All Things New Orleans” March 6, 2017

<https://www.bgr.org/peter-reichard-shares-the-bureau-of-governmental-researchs-new-study-calling-for-a-drainage-fee/>

- *Tulane News* September 14, 2016

<https://news.tulane.edu/news/music-fest-uganda-has-dual-mission>

- *The Times Picayune* June 17, 2014

https://www.nola.com/entertainment_life/music/article_16431977-c39c-583d-9eb1-a91f6d5be3ad.html

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The Sufi Second Line

- *Tulane News* November 5, 2013
<https://news.tulane.edu/news/sufi-second-line-perform-campus>
- *American Conservative* August 3, 2013
<https://www.theamericanconservative.com/dreher/louisiana-a-state-of-mind/>
- *Houston Chronicle* June 25, 2013
<https://www.houstonchronicle.com/life/article/Traditional-folk-songs-aren-t-lost-in-translation-4621702.php>
- B 102.7FM “Music Can Change the World” October 8, 2012
<https://b1027.com/can-music-change-the-world-audio-video/>
- Kickstarter for Wahida July 17, 2012
<https://www.kickstarter.com/projects/wahida/wahida-the-sufi-second-line>

Other Entertainment

- *Metaphysical Mysteries* January 28, 2022
<https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/professor-andrew-ward-phd-on-the-ghosts-of-new-orleans/id1539290568?i=1000549234436>
- *The Big Shut In* February 15, 2021
<https://racecarradio.com/thebigshutin/day-337-thursday-february-15-andrew>
- *It's New Orleans* - Guest Host “Happy Hour” March 21, 2018
<https://itsneworleans.com/2018/03/21/turkey-legs-to-turkey-basters-happy-hour-its-new-orleans/>
- *America's Got Talent* June 11, 2013
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8w5eINam91k>
- *The Times Picayune* – “The Mascot” October 10, 2012
https://www.nola.com/entertainment_life/music/article_e0cd1dac-9f36-55fa-9074-4f46ae591e06.html
- *Haunted New Orleans* - “The Goat Man of Grunch Road” December 10, 2010
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NQnpjaa2BZo>
- *30 Days in the Bowl* - Trailer July 25, 2010
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=03QcDuB3tiU>