

Ciara Patterson

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PERSONAL PROFILE

Results-oriented professional with proven experience in research, strategic proposal design, and coordination in the Global North and South. Native English speaker with a proficient level in Irish (Gaeilge) and French. Strong working-knowledge and understanding of International Non-Governmental Organisations (INGOs), Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) and the United Nations. Experienced in social protection programmes, migration research and socio-economic topics relating to Small Island Developing States (SIDS) covering a large economics portfolio. Familiarity with working alongside government, academic institutions and diplomatic entities focusing on strategic partnership.

Skills

Strategic PlanningFrenchSpeakerData AnalyticsMS Office SuiteResearchReportWritingProject ManagementWorkshop FacilitationQuality AssurancePresentationsOffice CoordinationDonor and Stakeholder

Engagement

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF BATH

Master of Science (MSc) International Development

Modules:

Doing Research for International Development, History and Theory of International
Development, Social and Environmental Justice, Management of International Development, Humanitarianism

Dissertation:

I completed a 12,000-word dissertation that was later edited and published, titled: Green Economy, Circular
Economy and Palestinian Refugees: UNRWA as a Catalyst for Change? whilst carrying out an internship at ARDD's Question of Palestine programme.

QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY BELFAST

Bachelor of Arts (BA) Irish and History (Grade obtained: 2:1/69)

Dissertation:

 I completed a 12,000-word dissertation exploring motherhood within the confines of slavery in the United States from 1600s-1800s.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

OCT 2024 - PRESENT

FHNW

Doctoral Student

GOAL GLOBAL JAN 2024 – SEP 2024

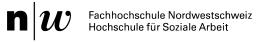
PROGRAMME SUPPORT OFFICER FOR MIDDLE EAST

My role includes:

- Grant management: providing support to ME Desk and wider Operations Team members in their administration and management of GOAL's portfolio of grants and developing a working knowledge of mechanisms used to report to major donor agencies. (i.e. USAID and ECHO).
- Information management: providing support to improve integrity and ensure the Grant Management System is up to date.

FRENCH LANGUAGE EXCHANGE (Geneva, Switzerland)

NOV 2023 - DEC 2023



SUPPORT WORKER (Locum)

- Undertaking initial and continuous assessment of needs and potential risk.
- Providing social, practical, and emotional support so that each individual can achieve their personal goals and aspirations.
- Empowering clients to ensure they receive the service and benefits they are entitled to and advocate on their behalf if and when required.
- Protecting the safety of the people I am supporting, following all management plans consistently including those relating to health, diet, medication, finances, and behaviour.
- Working within agreed boundaries, following operational guidance, policies, and procedures.

TRAVELLING (Chile, Argentina and Peru)

APR 2023 - MAY 2023

UNITED NATIONS RESIDENT COORDINATOR'S OFFICE, JAMAICA.

APR 2022 - APR 2023

ASSISTANT DEVELOPMENT COORDINATION OFFICER, UNITED NATIONS VOLUNTEER (INTERNATIONAL YOUTH)

My role included:

- Being the primary focal point/communication liaison for RC economics portfolio.
- Developing strategic communications including graphic design.
- Coordinating of the Jamaican Economy Panel (monthly) including data collection, analysis, production and circulation.
- Significantly contributing to ongoing research on SDG-related topics such as climate resilience, innovative financing and ocean economy in context of Jamaica.
- Strategically contributing and coordination of the UN Jamaica Partnership Forum which engaged over 9000 participants, 8 SDG thematic panels with almost 50 industry leaders and practitioners.
- Strategic proposal design/ quality assurance and oversight of analysis and research.

ARAB RENAISSANCE FOR DEMOCRACY AND DEVELOPMENT, JORDAN

MAY 2021 - APR 2022

RESEARCH CONSULTANT (remote position due to the pandemic)

My role included:

- Proposal development and design.
- Coordinating of knowledge management and strategic events/ workshops, inclusive of high-level delegations as well as those targeting vulnerable populations such as youth.
- Acting as a partnership focal point for regional economic organisations.
- Conducting of strategic contextual research to Middle Eastern region.
- Publishing a paper.

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

OUR WORLD TOOJUN 2023- DEC 2023

RESEARCH OFFICER

CHILDREN OF THE NATIONS JUN 2018 – AUG 2020

VOLUNTEER RESEARCH ASSISTANT

My role included:

- Supporting strategic youth-orientated research focused on reintegration of vulnerable youth populations and mapping of best practices to contribute to future programme design.

INTERNATIONAL MEETING POINT: centre for refugees and asylum seekers

MAY 2017 - MAR 2020

VOLUNTEER CAMBRIDGE ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEACHING FOR ADULTS (CELTA) CERTIFIED LANGUAGE INSTRUCTOR My role included:

- Supporting refugees and asylum seekers in the integration process.

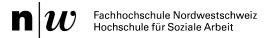
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

ACCREDITATIONS:

- DALF French, C1 JUN 2024

Project Management for Development Professionals (Humentum)

MAY 2024



-	Global Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Pathway certificate	MAR 2024
-	International Committee of the Red Cross, Introduction to International Humanitarian Law	FEB 2023
-	CVA and Social Protection Part 1: Introduction to Linking Humanitarian Cash Assistance and Social Protection	JAN 2022
-	CALP Cash and Voucher Assistance - The Fundamentals	JAN 2022
-	Arabic culture and language virtual exchange programme, Princess Samaya University for	
	Technology/ University of Bath DEC 2020) – JAN 2022
-	Formal Arabic, University of Bath, beginner certificate OCT 2020	– MAR 2021
_	Cambridge English Language Teaching for Adults (CELTA)	JUL 2018