



TARINI FERNANDO

Policy stream: Public Policy and Management

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Nationality: Canadian

Education:

9/2008 – 8/2012

University of British Columbia, Canada
BA International Relations

Languages:

English – Native speaker

French – Intermediate

IT Skills:

Microsoft Office – Advanced

Stata – Beginner

Key academic interests:

Public Sector Governance
Technology and innovation policy
Data governance
Management

Key extra-curricular interests:

Music and dance
Yoga
Running
Meeting people and learning about different cultures and cuisines

Work Experience:

2/2015 – Present

**The London School of Economics –
Learning Technology and Innovation
Research Assistant
London, United Kingdom**

- Successfully designed and carried out an evaluation of e-assessment practice across Russell Group universities in the United Kingdom
- Gained experience in the use of web-based survey methodologies and furthered knowledge of Excel
- Through completing additional evaluations of LSE courses incorporating technology, gained theoretical and practical insight into the behavioural and technical components affecting technology-based change processes.

8/2012 – 1/2014

**Engineers without Borders: Amplify
Governance venture
Program Staff
Ghana**

- Demonstrated strong interpersonal and communication skills when supporting the implementation of a Client Service Unit in a local Municipality and piloting the use of mobile technology for the purpose of mobilising citizen participation and improving government responsiveness in local government affairs

- Effectively gathered, processed, and analysed vast amounts of quantitative and qualitative data when working in collaboration with Ghana's Local Government Services Secretariat to assess women's access to local government through a mixed-method case study
- Furthered technical knowledge of decentralisation and contributed to developing the team's strategic priorities.

8/2012 – 9/2012

**Department for Foreign Affairs, Trade, and
Development
Consultant
Ghana**

Seconded to support an independent review of a multi-donor budgetary support mechanism – the District Development Facility – in Ghana:

- Supported the team in revising and iterating on the evaluation structure, including interview and data collection methods
- Demonstrated strong critical thinking and analytical capabilities when consolidating and synthesising complex information and drafting recommendations
- Gained competency in technical evaluations and the practice and application of Results-Based Management principles.