

# MIRA J. MOHSINI, Ph.D.

Over 10 years' experience building strong relationships with diverse stakeholders in the education and nonprofit sectors, and working collaboratively to implement programs—nationally and internationally—focused on equity and inclusion. Over 10 years' experience of conducting data-driven research. Strong data analysis and communications skills.

## WORK EXPERIENCE: HIGHER EDUCATION

**University of Akron** | Visiting Assistant Professor | Sept 2016-May 2019  
**Eastern Michigan University** | Senior Lecturer | Sept 2015-Jun 2016  
**Kalamazoo College** | Lecturer | Jan 2014-Jun 2015  
**Western Michigan University** | Lecturer | Sep 2013-Jan 2014  
**Goldsmiths College (London) & International Research Center (Berlin)** | Postdoctoral Research Fellow | Aug 2011-Aug 2013

### Work Accomplished:

- Designed, managed, and led four collaborative projects: (1) refugee experiences in the U.S.; (2) documenting urban poor farms and infirmaries; (3) politics of urban revival, housing, and community development; (4) Muslim minorities and informal labor in India.
- Designed, organized, and delivered workshops on diversity, equity, and inclusion for faculty, staff, and students; conducted high school community outreach.
- Developed and taught online, hybrid, and face-to-face courses on race and racism, gender studies, globalization, Islamophobia, qualitative and quantitative research methods, religion and myth, and cultural diversity; awarded Teacher Champion award.

## WORK EXPERIENCE: COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, RESEARCH & NONPROFIT

**Bobby McKenzie for Congress** | Director, Community Engagement | Jul 2013-Nov 2014

- Developed strategic plan for engaging with diverse communities in SE Michigan for a congressional race; organized focus groups with ten segmented constituencies; managed communications plans, including writing copy for press releases and social media; managed extensive databases of donor contacts and financial contributions.

**Winmark Inc. (UK)** | Research Associate | Jul 2010-Sept 2011

- Interviewed over 100 clients for a law firm to assess potential gaps in service; led and managed project for a broadband internet provider to evaluate the need for high-speed internet in rural regions of the United Kingdom; conducted extensive competitor intelligence research for blue ship tech company.

**Development Alternatives (India)** | Consultant | Jan 2006-Sept 2009

- Organized and led focus groups, surveys, and interviews with at-risk communities on Indo-Nepal border to evaluate extent of human trafficking; authored two final reports on mitigating trafficking, and secured USAID funding; managed research and evaluation team for a livelihood generation project in rural Central India.

## SELECTED PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

- “What does it mean to be an Ally? A Teach-In on the Importance of Collaboration and Accountability in Social Justice Work” | University of Akron | Feb 2018
- “Making Sense of Charlottesville: A Civil Dialogue about Race, Citizenship and Belonging” | University of Akron | Oct 2017
- “Understanding and Transforming Institutional Racism: An Anti-Racism Workshop for Faculty” Arcus Center for Social Justice Leadership | Kalamazoo College | Jun 2015

## EDUCATION

Ph.D. Anthropology | School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London | 2010  
MA Anthropology and Development | London School of Economics | 2003  
BA (Hons) Anthropology | University of Western Ontario | 2002

## SKILLS

- Diversity, Inclusion, and Equity Training
- Public Speaking
- Project design & management
- Rapid Participatory Assessment (RPA)
- Curriculum Design
- Online Course Design
- Ethnographic Interviewing
- Survey Design
- Participant Observation
- Life Histories
- Focus Groups
- Photo Elicitation
- Pile Sorts/Free Lists
- Story Circles
- Mapping
- Video Ethnography

## TOOLS

- SPSS
- Qualtrics
- Nvivo
- MaxQDA
- ExpressScribe
- Anthropac
- Brightspace
- Panopto
- H5P
- Adobe Photoshop
- Adobe Spark
- Google Productivity Suite
- MS Office Suite

## LANGUAGES

- English (native)
- French
- Hindi
- Urdu