

## GABRIELA QUEVEDO

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An experienced quantitative and qualitative social science researcher, with many years of practical experience doing community work with marginalized groups in the UK and Venezuela. A specialist in qualitative research and information work, she has expertise in web content management including handling of php user lists and databases, a working knowledge of setting up and maintaining networks, and specialized knowledge of SPSS, Visual Fox Pro and Access for database handling and statistical analysis, as well as software for qualitative analysis such as SPAD.N and ATLAS. Her research interests include the human rights implications of the UK asylum system, refugee destitution, the European legislative and juridical context for refugee status determination, gender and asylum, and new workings of the 'refugee' category related to environment and gender.

### Employment History

Since 2008 **RESEARCH AND INFORMATION OFFICER**

Information Centre about Asylum & Refugees, City University, London

- Providing research support for ICAR research projects, including conducting interviews and other primary and secondary research tasks. Currently working on 'Financial inclusion of migrants in Northern Ireland'.
- Researching, writing content for and updating ICAR's online information products which include research briefings, statistic papers and policy commentaries.
- Policy and research briefing paper on EU asylum policy (forthcoming, 2010)

2007-08 **PROJECT ASSISTANT** (internship)

ActionAid International, London

- Provided general assistance and administrative support to the Right to Education Project. Helped to define the work plan for the Right to Education project, identified areas of focus and strategic research.
- Assisted in the re-design, development and update of the project's website and its outreach strategy.
- Wrote and designed promotional material for the project, with guidance from the project coordinator and steering committee as required.

2007 **RESEARCH ASSISTANT** (internship)

UnLtd, London

- Carried out field work for a longitudinal, nation-wide qualitative study aimed at assessing the development of social entrepreneurs sponsored by UnLtd.
- Recruited and selected interviewees and conducted in depth interviews covering the region of London and South East of England.
- Attended training sessions on interviewing techniques, monitoring and evaluation of projects and qualitative data analysis.

1999 – 2004 **RESEARCH OFFICER**

**Social Sciences Research Centre CISOR, Caracas, Venezuela**

- Analyzed social statistics and developed indicators on education, employment, poverty, etc.
- Prepared and processed data using specialized software. Organized and maintained the databases.
- Carried out documentary research and synthesized various types of information in user friendly formats to suit a wide range of audiences.

1996-97

**TEACHING ASSISTANT, Scientific Methods for Social Sciences**

Faculty of Economic & Social Sciences, Catholic University Andres Bello, Venezuela

### **Qualifications and recent training**

- 2010 Census data workshop: using migration data and the ONS longitudinal study. Economic & Social Research Council.
- 2009 Getting more from your monitoring and evaluation. The Evelyn Oldfield Unit
- 2008 MA Human Rights, Institute of Commonwealth Studies
- 2004 BA (1st class Hons) Sociology  
Catholic University Andres Bello (UCAB), Caracas, Venezuela.

### **Computing**

- Web content management experience, including handling of php user lists and databases. Working knowledge on setting up and maintaining networks.
- Specialized knowledge of SPSS, Visual Fox Pro and Access for database handling and statistical analysis, as well as software for qualitative analysis such as SPAD.N and ATLAS.

### **Selected publications**

CISOR, 2003: Notions of Corporate Social Responsibility amongst mid-range management in Venezuela. Study commissioned by Venancham and Escuela de Gerencia Social. 48 pp. (Consultancy report)

Household Survey Department (2002): Educational Statistics, children 5-15 years, Special processing of National Household Survey, 2000-2002. (Data was included in a study commissioned by UNICEF to CISOR in May 2002)

Household Survey Department (1999): Evolution of Income and Labor indicators in Venezuela, 1975-1995. (Data was included in a report by CISOR to the Institute of Economic and Social Research-IIES, from Catholic University Andres Bello)