

Sarah Walther-Young

Project Coordinator



PROFILE

In April 2018 I joined CRISP as a project coordinator. I am responsible for project and simulation game development and implementation. I communicate with project partners and potential collaborators and conduct seminars in Germany and abroad.

LANGUAGES

English – *native*
 German – *fluent*
 Afrikaans – *basic*

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

04/2018 -
today

PROJECT COORDINATOR CRISP e.V.

As project coordinator I was responsible, with others, for the following projects:

Tambach-Dietharz,
Thüringen

Complexity Management: a two-day workshop for state employees on complexity management including a simulation game on the topic

Participants: 24

Kyrgyzstan

Peace and Conflict Consultants: raise competencies of young people to use methods of conflict analysis and transformation; increase the societal acceptance of non-violent conflict resolution; empower young people to create a positive change in their communities and society; create a space for encounter and cooperation between civil society and public bodies

Indirect beneficiaries: approx. 1.000 / Annual Budget: approx. 120.000 EUR

Berlin,
Germany

UN Security Council Reform: a simulation game about opportunities to reform the United Nations Security Council. Conducted for the German Federal Foreign Office's International Diplomats Academy.

Participants: 30

10/2015 –
01/2018

PROJECT COORDINATOR

Rostocker Frauenkulturverein "Die Beginen" e.V.

As project coordinator I was responsible for the organization's work with refugee women. I coordinated and led all intercultural activities including German as a Second Language courses, discussion groups about integration, educational trips to learn about culture, history, politics and multiculturalism in Mecklenburg-Vorpommern.

Discussion groups

Monthly discussion groups on current issues in migration, integration, women's rights

Educational
travel

Bi-monthly educational daytrips to cultural sites with mixed groups of German, migrant and refugee groups

German lessons +
weekly women's
meetings

Weekly German as a Second Language courses, yoga courses and women's support group facilitation

09/2014 -
05/2015

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT AND CRIME PREVENTION PROGRAM SPECIALIST PROGRAM MANAGER

Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Georgia

At the Crime Prevention Unit of the Ministry of Justice I created and implemented educational workshops for at-risk youth on leadership, volunteering and conflict resolution. I also created and led furthering education workshops in youth work, conflict transformation, seminar facilitation and management for CPU staff.

Further internal
workshops

Classroom management, promoting volunteerism, conflict resolution, youth peacebuilding leadership education

Educational
seminars

Leadership skills, volunteerism, peer to peer conflict mediation, communication, youth activism

09/2013 –
05/2014

PROGRAM MANAGER

Trekkers, Inc.

	As Program Manager at the youth experiential education organization Trekkers, Inc. I was responsible for project development and implementation and mentoring of school children ages 12 to 18. I led weekly team meetings, coordinated cultural learning activities and accompanied students on educational trips lasting 7 to 10 days.
Team meetings	Meetings with teams of students from 7 th to 12 th form to prepare for educational trips, create community and build trust.
Cultural learning activities	Planned and implemented visits to local artists, migrant organizations, religious groups to learn about multiculturalism.
Educational trips	Coordinated and led trips to various cities and regions to learn about history, agriculture, environment, health, societal divisions, racism, etc.

EDUCATION

- 09/2011 – 07/2013** **Master of Arts**
I studied conflict transformation at the School for International Training in Brattleboro, Vermont, USA focusing on conflict and development and youth peacebuilding leadership. *Final Thesis: An Unfinished Reality: Integration work as Peacebuilding in Rostock, Germany*
- 10/2005 – 07/2006** **DAAD post-graduate research fellowship stipend**
I was awarded a stipend from DAAD to further the research from my BA studies in political and social transitions in East Germany and Eastern Europe after 1989 at the University of Rostock.
- 07/2001 – 05/2005** **Bachelor of Arts**
I studied German Studies (language, culture, politics, literature) and Modern European History focusing on transformation processes in East Germany and Eastern Europe post 1989 at the University of Massachusetts in Amherst, Massachusetts, USA. Final Grade: 1,0