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Education

The Open University

2016 - 2020

MBA, Business Administration master degree

Description:

- The program provided professional knowledge, skills and capabilities in the major areas of management and business administration. The program provided specialized functional skills in project management.
- The program provides experience and knowledge in methods for diagnosing managerial problem solving and decision-making skills. The program also provides a fundamental understanding and knowledge in finance management

Tel Hai Academic College

2010-2014

B.Sc, Biotechnology specializing in Agriculture

Description:

- The program provides a wide background in agricultural studies and related biotechnologies. The program provides hands on experience with fruit and vegetable cultivation.
- Conducted an honors program in Soil Science researching the effect of olive mill wastewater on agriculture

Professional Experience

CultivAid, Co-founder and Head Agronomist

2016-Present

CultivAid is an Israeli-international NGO, specializing in capacity building and knowledge and technology transfer initiatives with a focus on the agricultural and water sectors. CultivAid emphasizes the development of skilled local professionals through hands-on training programs, field work, and joint research in order to build a sustainable knowledge infrastructure.

Role description: Head agronomists and operational manager, overseeing all operations and implementations, horticulture protocols and management of production, financial management, importing of equipment, R&D of new technologies and agricultural methods.

Lead Agronomists, Engineers Without Borders, Israel

2014-2016

Engineers without borders are an International NGO works on sustainable development projects in Israel and abroad. EWB strives to improve the quality of life for developing communities through the implementation of environmentally and economically sustainable engineering projects. An additional goal is to develop internationally oriented students' capabilities for students of different disciplines.

Role description: Lead agronomist, established demonstration site at Kallamino farm, initiated the small farmer agricultural inputs program and initiated groundwork for the expansion of activities with local partners and implementation of trainings.

Private contractor

2013-2015

Design and constructions of residential gardens equipped with irrigation system.

Combat Company Commander, IDF

2008-2010

Commander of 60 soldiers and commanders in Army Company of the IDF.

Role description: Planning and execution of training, Activity and budget-intensive logistic projects in a multi-tasked environment and under great pressure.

Other relevant experience

Head Agronomist - Sunflow Project

2015-2016 *In collaboration with 'Eilat-Eilot Renewable Energy'*

The 'Sunflow' unit is a mobile solar water pump and generator designed to supply large amount of water for irrigation in remote and off grid areas. The project was funded and executed as part of the Eilat Eilot technological incubator ('hamanbeta').

Role description: Design and production of a prototype unit, Design the systems according the Agronomic needs, Training and guidance for correct use and demonstration.

Languages

English (fluent); Hebrew (Mother-tongue); Arabic, Tigrinya (beginner)