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A research associate in the agri-food sector with comprehensive knowledge of agri-food regulatory policies, research policies and the economics of food safety.

EXPERIENCE

Nov 2008 – Present

Research Associate, George Morris Centre, Guelph, Ontario

- Primary responsibilities include obtaining research opportunities, conducting economic research, and writing reports, proposals and think pieces. Research includes agri-food regulatory policy.

Aug 2007 – Nov 2008

Research Assistant, Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, Guelph, Ontario

- Worked on the Cost-Benefit Component of a Food Safety Initiative Project: GMP, HACCP Advantage Pilot Project

Sep 2003– Nov 2008

Research Assistant, Teaching Assistant, University of Guelph, Guelph, Ontario

- Analyzed and summarized policy and economics literature
- Conducted economic research
- Assisted in the preparation of publications and presentations
- Conducted lectures and seminars; prepared, administrated and graded laboratory reports; marked term papers

Mar – Apr 2008

Research Assistant, George Morris Centre, Guelph, Ontario

- Searched literature and survey data
- Analyzed economic data and literature

Jan 1999 – Nov 2003

Research Assistant, Institute for Agricultural Development in Central and Eastern Europe (IAMO), Department of External Environment for Agricultural Policy Analysis, Halle/S., Germany

- Searched literature and survey data
- Analyzed economic data and literature
- Translated research reports and presentations (German/English, English/German)

EDUCATION

- 2009 PhD Candidate, Food, Agricultural and Resource Economics, University of Guelph, Guelph, Ontario
Thesis: Assessing the Cost-effectiveness of Alternative Measures Aimed at Reducing the Prevalence of Food-borne Microbiological Hazards
- 2005 Master of Science, Agricultural Markets, University of Guelph, Guelph, Ontario
- 2003 Master of Science equivalent, Martin Luther University, Halle, Germany