Biographical Sketch

Aakanksha Sinha

Ph.D. Student
Boston College

Education
MSW, Boston College
BA, Delhi University

Career Goals
Aakanksha aims to be a professional researcher, educator and a link between academia and development functionaries. As a social worker, trained in international child welfare issues, she hopes to develop and strengthen programs aimed at increasing access to basic needs for low income children and families, globally. She also aims to be a professor at a university to teach future social workers, global child and women welfare policy. She will include the voice of the marginalized population and accounts of field realities obtained from the projects conducted in the community to enhance the classroom curricula.

Research Interests
Global Social Work; Food Security; Human Rights; Poverty; Child and Family Welfare

Publishable Paper Title
Exploring Factors Associated with Education Outcomes for Orphan and Abandoned Children: A Case of India (Successfully defended 2014)

Organization Affiliations
Society for Social Work Research; International Federation of Social Workers

Awards and Fellowships
Boston College Doctoral Fellowship; Doctoral Diversity Fellowship; Leo P. Haley Award for Excellence in Communication, Leadership and Contribution in International Social Work

Teaching Experience

Research Experience
Conducted pilot evaluation study on "Integrated Child Development Scheme" in the Delhi region in India for the Ministry of Women and Child Welfare Department, India; Prepared presentations on community mapping of areas within Massachusetts to trace demographic characteristics; Research and literature review on issues of food security in the US; Consulted for the International Labor Organization to research on child labor and human rights issues in India.

Publications


**Special Experiences**

Conducted a pilot study on the "Integrated Child Development Scheme" in the Delhi Region for the Ministry of Women and Child Welfare Department, India.

**Selected Presentations**


**Accomplishments**

Designed and conducted pilot evaluation study on "Integrated Child Development Scheme" in Delhi Region, India.