SUSANNAH MONTGOMERY

Strategic Partnership Manager



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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Deputy Director, Strategic Partnerships and Research Sustainable Media Lab (SML)

January 2022 to Present | The Hague, the Netherlands

- Proactively leads and coordinates grant writing initiatives for the lab, securing €60k in local, regional, and European subsidies.
- Activates and expands public-private ecosystem of local and international stakeholders at the intersections of digitization, the creative and cultural sectors, and society
- Acts as program manager for 6 regional, national, and Europeanfunded research and education projects
- Oversees a cross-functional lab team of 20 coaches and students

Project Developer

Center of Expertise for Creative Innovation (CoECI)

February 2021 to February 2023 | Amsterdam, the Netherlands

- Strategically connected the creative initiatives of CoECI within 15+ universities, cultural heritage institutions, and social partners
- Identified, advised, and secured project funding through the strategic use of regional, national, European, and internal grants
- Translated knowledge from the CoECI community into relevant monthly workshops and networking events

Senior Lecturer and Account Manager in Creative Business **Inholland University of Applied Sciences**

August 2017 to Present | The Hague, the Netherlands

- Build and maintain a broad network of 80+ external stakeholders who serve as clients and speakers for the university programme
- Produced and delivered courses about Project Management, Event Management, Film Studies, and Marketing
- Coordinated the internship programme for 100+ students each semester from 2018-2020

Marketing & Events Manager

Columbus Early Learning Centers

September 2016 to January 2018 | Columbus, OH, USA

- Ran all organizational marketing campaigns and in one year increased key digital audiences by 30%
- Managed six donor events, raising \$60k in revenue

House Manager

Ohio Light Opera

June 2012 to August 2014 | Wooster, OH, USA

Managed a 400-seat theatre for 58 performances each season

ABOUT ME

A self-starter with **a decade of experience** as a project manager, relationship builder, and researcher driven by her passion for empowering digital change for the creative and cultural heritage sectors

EDUCATION

MA, Arts Policy and Administration

4.0 / 4.0

The Ohio State University August 2015 to May 2017 **University Fellow**

BA, Religious Studies and Sociology

3.96 / 4.0

The College of Wooster August 2011 to May 2015 Summa Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa

Study Abroad

University of Edinburgh August 2013 to December 2013

CERTIFICATIONS

Sharing Stories on Contested Histories Fellow

Cultural Heritage Agency of the Netherlands, November 2023

Professional Scrum Master

Scrum.org, July 2020

Teaching Qualification (TQA-IC & THE-IC)

Utrecht University, April 2020

Solution-focused Coach

Solvitas, December 2019

Growth Marketing Professional

Growth Tribe, June 2019

EXPERTISE

Building Relationships	Event Planning	
Project Management	Fundraising	
Training and Development	Public Speaking	

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RESEARCH

Researcher and Editor

Media, Technology, Society Research Group

February 2022 to Present | The Hague, NL

- Co-editor and contributor to the 2nd edition of Research Handbook on Human Rights and Digital Technology Global Politics, Law and International Relations
- Selected for the Sharing Stories on Contested Histories 2023 residency program by the Dutch Cultural Heritage Agency
- Contributed trend research and capacity building tools about data-driven storytelling for the MediaNumeric project

Graduate Research Associate

The Ohio State University

September 2016 to May 2016 | Columbus, OH

 Collaborated with Dr. Shoshanah Goldberg-Miller on 4 research papers on urban cultural policy for publication.

Master's Thesis: The Playful Art Museum: Employing Creativity as a Tool for Visitor Engagement

The Ohio State University

May 2016 to May 2017 | Columbus, OH

 A study of Dutch and American art museums. Arts and Humanities Graduate grant recipient

TRAINEESHIPS

Philanthropic Communications Assistant

The Ohio State University

June 2016 to August 2016 | Columbus, OH

- Wrote and designed 3 proposals to prospective major donors and gift receipts to donors of all giving levels
- Copywrote and designed the onboarding handbook for all Advancement Managers

Fundraising and Events Assistant

Columbus Museum of Art

September 2015 to August 2016 | Columbus, OH

- Assisted with the logistics for 20+ member events
- Processed 1,000+ donations and membership forms

LANGUAGES

English	Dutch	Spanish
Native Speaker	B1	A2

ADVISORY EXPERIENCE

Advisory Board Member

Al Futures Lab

February 2022 to Present | Delft, NL

 The AI Futures Lab focuses on responsible AI deployment in support of rights and justice

University Ambassador

The Hague Humanity Hub

May 2021 to present | The Hague, NL

 Strategically connects with the local Peace and Justice community via events and networking

Member

Europeana Network Association

September 2023 to present | The Hague, NL

 Contributes to a community of experts working in the field of digital cultural heritage

Member

European Media Management Association

January 2023 to present | EU

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Community Leader

Girl Gone International

March 2022 to Present | Leiden, NL

 Manages the Leiden branch (2k members) of the largest female expat community in the world

Member + Community Manager

Close2Gospel Chorus

January 2019 to present | Leiden, NL

Alumni Ambassador

College of Wooster Alumni Association

September 2015 to present | NL & USA

Wonderball Committee Member

Columbus Museum of Art

September 2016 to February 2017 | Columbus, OH

 Co-led a successful team fundraiser, raising over \$200,000 for creative programming.

Music & Film Event Manager

W.A.C. (Wooster Activity Committee)

February 2013 to May 2015 | Wooster, OH