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Education

- Degree Oxford University
Master of Arts in the Honour School of Philosophy, Politics, and Economics
- Certificates United Nations University, ILI International Leadership Certificate
International Olympic Committee, MOOC certificates: Integrity, Leadership, Psychology
Ontarian OSSD and *Certificat de Bilinguisme*

Employment History

- 2018 onwards CEO, MOSAIC INSTITUTE
- Advancing pluralism within societies and peace between nations, by brokering dialogue between peoples separated by strife
- 2012 -2018 CEO, GLOBAL ORGANIZATION OF PARLIAMENTARIANS AGAINST CORRUPTION
- Led the international alliance of legislators working to combat corruption, uphold the rule of law, and enforce democratic accountability
 - Achieved unanimous passage of the global parliamentary accord for international prosecution of kleptocracy and crimes against humanity
- 2008 - 2012 CEO, EQUINE CANADA AND THE CANADIAN EQUESTRIAN TEAM
- Achieved the team's best Olympic and Paralympic results in Canadian history
 - Increased the federation's revenue and membership to its highest level of all time
- 2001 -2007 PRESIDENT AND CEO, CONCORDIS FOUNDATION
- Worked with expatriate communities drawn from opposites sides of foreign armed conflicts, to create cultural and public policy strategies for peace building
- 1998 - 2001 SENIOR CONSULTANT, KPMG CONSULTING LP
- Structured partnerships between organisations in the private and public sectors
 - Advised multinational corporations and national governments on e-commerce
- 1996 - 1998 MANAGING DIRECTOR (CANADA), MAGNUM OPUS CONSORTIUM
- Orchestrated strategic planning and good governance processes for publicly traded firms and international NGOs
 - Engaged local stakeholders in national and global initiatives
- 1994 - 1996 MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT, MCKINSEY & COMPANY
- Provided strategic and operational advice to CEOs and Boards of Directors of trans-national corporations, focusing on innovation and change management
 - Wrote the firm's summer 1995 international number-one "best-selling" analysis on electronic commerce, online financial systems, and emerging media
- 1993 - 1994 STUDENT UNION PRESIDENT, OXFORD UNIVERSITY
- Elected in a University-wide ballot as the first non-European and first overseas student President in the history of the 800 year-old University
 - Lobbied the House of Lords, culminating in evisceration of the 1994 Education Bill

Voluntary and Other Pursuits

Current: Ambassador-at-Large, Global Organization of Parliamentarians Against Corruption
Director, Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport
Expert Member, Transparency International Global Network of Experts
Vice President, Oxford University Society Ottawa
Expert Member, Canadian Centre of Excellence for Anti-Corruption
Member, Canadian International Council

Some Past: Captain General, Canada's National Equestrian Skill-at-Arms Team
President and Chair of the Board, Parkdale Community Health Centre
President, Commonwealth of Nations Association for UNICEF
Class A Member & Ethics Committee Member, Canadian Olympic Committee
Director, Jeunesse Canada Monde – Canada World Youth
Member of the Public Affairs Committee, Daily Bread Food Bank
Teacher of basic literacy and numeracy, Parkdale Project Read
Volunteer, St Andrew's Church Out of the Cold Programme

Honours, Awards, and Fellowships

2017 COMMISSIONED A KENTUCKY COLONEL
Kentucky's highest state honour, for services to ethics in international public affairs

2015 FELLOW OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY
Deepens public understanding of Canada's geography, natural heritage, and identity

2015 FELLOW OF THE ROYAL ASIATIC SOCIETY
Furthers international understanding of Asian societies and cultures

2012 THE QUEEN ELIZABETH II DIAMOND JUBILEE MEDAL FOR CANADA
State honour, for advancing the integrity of Canadian and international sport

2012 FELLOW OF THE ROYAL SOCIETY OF ARTS
Founded during the Enlightenment, its fellowship seeks to improve the human condition

2008 FREEDOM OF THE TOWNSHIP OF UXBRIDGE
Civic honour, as Captain of UNICEF Team Canada, for work on childhood welfare

2003 CENTENNIAL FOUNDATION DEFENCE OF HUMAN RIGHTS AWARD
For humanitarian efforts in the Arab-Israeli conflict

2002 THE QUEEN ELIZABETH II GOLDEN JUBILEE MEDAL FOR CANADA
State honour, for service to peace and reconciliation in the Middle East

1999 COMMONWEALTH OF NATIONS ASSOCIATION FOR UNICEF GOLD MEDAL
For contributions to oral rehydration therapy for children in the developing world

1996 ONTARIO SOCIETY FOR STUDIES IN INDO-CARIBBEAN CULTURE AWARD
For service to the well-being of children and youth in Ontario and the Caribbean

1994 INDO-CANADA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE NATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD
For leadership in international advocacy for human rights

1992 JCR PRESIDENT EMERITUS OF ST EDMUND HALL, OXFORD
Life appointment for distinguished service during elected JCR Presidency