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Top Skills

Public Health
Epidemiology
Health Services Research

Languages

Spanish

Sara Bleich, PhD

Vice Provost for Special Projects
Boston, Massachusetts, United States

Summary

National and internationally recognized expert on prevention of diet-related conditions and addressing food insecurity, particularly racial injustices in the social safety net, with more than 20 years of experience conducting policy-relevant research. Experience leading large and diverse teams. Frequently sought after for public-speaking and thought leadership, including briefings with reporters and members of Congress. Proven commitment to public service in federal government. Actively engaged in training the next generation of scholars and professionals in health policy and health services research through course instruction, academic advising, and mentorship.

Experience

Harvard University

7 years

Vice Provost for Special Projects

January 2023 - Present (7 months)

Cambridge, Massachusetts, United States

Professor of Public Health Policy

August 2016 - Present (7 years)

Boston, Massachusetts, United States

US Department of Agriculture (USDA)

Director of Nutrition Security and Health Equity

January 2022 - January 2023 (1 year 1 month)

USDA

Senior Advisor for COVID, Office of the Secretary

January 2021 - January 2022 (1 year 1 month)

USDA

White House Fellow

August 2015 - August 2016 (1 year 1 month)

Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health
Associate Professor

August 2007 - August 2016 (9 years 1 month)

- Manage federal and foundation grants
- Develop grant proposals and scientific manuscripts
- Appear on local and national public radio shows focused on obesity and chronic disease
- Direct MPH Concentration in Health Systems and Policy
- Advise students

Harvard Initiative for Global Health
Researcher

November 2003 - July 2007 (3 years 9 months)

Instituto Nacional de Salud Pública
Researcher

June 2005 - August 2005 (3 months)

RAND Corporation

Summer Associate

May 2003 - August 2003 (4 months)

Washington DC

The Measurement Group

Research Associate

January 2001 - August 2002 (1 year 8 months)

Los Angeles, CA

Education

Harvard University

Doctor of Philosophy (PhD), Health Policy · (2002 - 2007)

Columbia University in the City of New York

Bachelor's degree, Psychology · (1996 - 2000)