



## “Research Requires Sacrifice”



### MY STORY

#### WHY DID YOU CHOOSE THIS CAREER PATH?

I am passionate about practical research and engagements that benefit everyday lives in a clear and understandable way.

#### WHAT PART OF THIS CAREER DO YOU PERSONALLY FIND MOST SATISFYING?

I really like working on practical research that benefits everyday lives.

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### DO I FIT THE PROFILE?

If you are a person that keeps asking the why, what, when, whom and how answers, then you definitely fit the profile.

In short, you need to be a continuous answer seeker.

#### RESEARCH



#### MANAGEMENT



#### COMMUNICATION SKILLS



### WHAT ARE YOUR DUTIES?

My focus is on the design, development and management of Living Labs to support gendered energy technology innovations in poor urban environments.

### FUTURE IN THIS CAREER?

There is ALWAYS a future in research.

#### WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU OFFER LEARNERS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN PURSUING THIS CAREER?

You have to be passionate about what you do. If you are **passionate** about your research topic it makes the process easier.

Learn something new everyday.

