

JYLDYZ DOOLBEKOVA

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Jyldyz Doolbekova is a Leader for the 'Distance education to improve quality and access to school education in Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia and Tajikistan' research project. She has extensive experience in research, project management, monitoring and evaluation, scaling up of educational innovative models, networking and knowledge mobilization in preserving biocultural diversity, indigenous peoples' rights and women and youth leadership in Central Asia. She worked in the Central Asian program of the Christensen Foundation (California, San Francisco) as a Special Adviser, Program Manager & Regional Coordinator. She led the Faculty Development program, University projects of the Aga Khan Humanities Project (AKHP, Dushanbe, Tajikistan) aimed at the design and implementation of interdisciplinary courses in Central Asian universities. She holds a PhD in anthropology from the National Academy of Sciences of Kyrgyz Republic, a MA from Kyrgyz National University, Department of History and a MA in International Relations from the International University of Kyrgyzstan.

CONSULTING, GRANTS ADMINISTRATION, PROJECT MANAGEMENT, ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCES:

- 10/2020 - present Taalim-Forum Public Foundation**
Researcher, Project Lead <https://kix.taalimforum.kg/en/>
Coordinates the work of Research, supervises Lead Researcher, MEL Officer, Communication and Knowledge Mobilization Assistants. Leads the project teams in 3 countries, works closely with Country Project Leads, Advisory Council, stakeholders, experts to ensure achieving strategic objectives, oversees execution of all activities of the project through planning and management
- 08/2006 – 08/2020 The Christensen Fund - Central Asian Office (Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan)**
<https://www.christensenfund.org/>
Special Advisor for Central Asia; Associate Program Officer for Central Asia Program (Bishkek, KR); Regional Program Coordinator & Manager; In-Region Consultant (Bishkek, KR)
Summary: supported and strengthened and networked Christensen's cohort of grant partners in Central Asia. As an integral member of Christensen's Program team, worked closely with Grantmaking Director to track and advise on the socio-economic and political trends within Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan; facilitated solidarity connections and learning networks with other Indigenous partners nationally, regionally and internationally.
- 01/2005 – 07/2006 Aga Khan Humanities Project for Central Asia (AKHP) branch office, Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan, Faculty Development Program Manager.**
Summary: Supervised of Faculty Development Program for Kazakh and Kyrgyz Universities; provided financial and analytical reports to HQ office; translation/interpretation
- 09/2002 – 12/2004 Aga Khan Humanities Project for Central Asia (AKHP), Dushanbe, Tajikistan; Faculty Development Program Officer; University Projects Officer**
Summary: ensured proper implementation of faculty and students development programs (training, workshops, seminars) at AKHP's partner universities in Tajikistan, Kazakhstan, and Kyrgyzstan; supported and developed contacts with governmental bodies; administrations of the Partner Universities and partners.

TEACHING & ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE:

- 1998 - 2001** **Institute of Eastern Languages and Cultures of Kyrgyz State Pedagogical University**, Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan;
Senior lecturer; Master trainer
Director of the Oriental Languages Lyceum
- 1996 - 2002** **Kyrgyz State National University**, Center of Magistrate and Post Graduate Studies, Department of International and National Scientific-Research Programs, Senior Specialist: Supported relations with international organizations, centers in educational sphere; provided oral/written translation/interpretation
- 1985- 1995** **Polytechnic College, Teacher**

EDUCATION:

- 2016** Ph.D Diploma, Dissertation theme: Traditional ecological culture of Kyrgyz people (based on the study of the Murgab Kyrgyz in the mid. of XIX – beg. of XX centuries)
- 2010 - 2015** National Academy of Science of the Kyrgyz Republic, The Institute of Cultural Heritage, PhD Candidate
- 1994 - 1996** International University of Kyrgyzstan, International Relations Department, MA, Diploma with honors
- 1980 - 1985** Kyrgyz State University, History Faculty, Diploma

LANGUAGES: Fluent in Kyrgyz, Russian, English

References available upon request