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SUMMARY

Amani Hachimou is a dedicated and experienced researcher with a strong background in research projects design and implementation. With over 10 years of experience, he has led large scale project evaluations in the fields of women empowerment, Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR), education, Gender-Based Violence (GBV) and Nutritional and Livelihood Security. His skills in quantitative and qualitative analysis and project management have been integral to generating high-quality results. Amani is an excellent communicator and highly organized, with the ability to work independently and collaborate with multiple stakeholders.

SKILLS

- · Quantitative methods
- Qualitative Research
- Impact evaluation
- Survey design
- Data Collection
- Project Management
- Communication
- · Financial and negotiating skills
- Social Norms mapping
- Social Network Analysis
- Statistics
- RStudio proficient
- Stata; Spss
- KOBO/ODK collect
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- Statistical Analysis
- Enumerators
- Problem solving skills
- Interpersonal skills
- · Conflict resolution skills
- Listening and political acumen skills

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EXPERIENCE

September 2022 - Current

Senior Research Analyst at Group of Research and Action for Development (GRADE AFRICA) | Niamey, Niger

- Led several research projects evaluating the impact of programs (and benefiting over 15 institutions) in women empowerment, Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR), education, Gender-Based Violence (GBV) and Nutritional and Livelihood Security.
- Trained and supervised over 100 teams of data collectors, improving their productivity and data output quality.
- Leveraged advanced data collection tools (and analysis sofwares) to gather, process and analyze information from over 10,000 interviews subjects.
- Presented research findings at International Conferences, enhancing the organization's professional reputation
- Evaluated the impact of the project "Tipping Point: Using social network theory to accelerate the scale and impact of a Family planning program". Collaborating Institution: University of California San Diego
 - Conducted the research project "Kulawa: Maternal and infant health and nutrition-based program". *Collaborating Institution*: Save The Children International
- Evaluated the impact of an innovative project "Adolescence Transition in West Africa: Reproductive health, social norms and menstrual health and hygiene (MHH) in schools". *Collaborating Institutions*: Save The Children International offices in Burkina, Mali and Niger.
- Led mixed method research on "Factors of demand and use of family planning services in the communes of the tri-border area: Burkina, Mali and Niger". *Collaborating Institutions*: West African Health Organization (WAHO) and Centre MURAZ in Burkina Faso.

November 2017 - August 2022

Research Consultant at OASIS INITIATIVE | Niamey, Niger

- Coordinated a range of studies and evaluations related to nutrition, family planning, empowerment, education benefiting over 10 institutions and involving over 100 stakeholders, including government, local communities and partners
- Counseled and evaluated the project "IMAGINE: supporting Married Nulliparous Adolescents - Gender, Economic Opportunities, and Fertility in Zinder". *Collaborating Institution:* CARE International
 - Designed and implemented the research project "Room to Grow: Gender, Family Planning and Nutrition targeted women in community gardens in Zinder (Niger)". *Collaborating Institutions:* Population Services International (PSI)
 - Led an evaluation of the socio-economic impact of COVID-19 among the beneficiaries of Mercy Corps programs in Tillabéri and Niamey. Collaborating Institutions: Mercy Corps and Ministry of natural

disaster

- Played a critical role in managed cross-functional teams of consultants of the project "Contraceptive Method Choices among Youth and Adolescents in Niger". *Collaborating Institutions:* University of North Carolina at Chapell Hill
- Designed and implemented a research action project called "Preventing child marriage by transforming social norms in the region of Zinder". *Collaborating Institutions*: Ministry of Population and Welfare,
- National Association of Young Advocates for Family Planning
- Managed the evaluation of the project "Reaching Married Adolescents in the region of Dosso". Collaborating Institutions: University of California at San Diego and Pathfinder international
- Carried out the client satisfaction of "a targeted counseling on family planning quality of care in 45 health facilities in Niger". *Collaborating Institutions:* University of North Carolina at Chapell
 Hill.

October 2016 - October 2017

Research Assistant at Bureau of Social and Economic Studies, BERSES | Niamey, Niger

- Supported sampling, data collection and report writing for the project "Regional Project for Women's Empowerment and Demographic Dividend (SWEDD/Niger)"
- Collaborating Institution: Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL)
- Performed the sampling on the impact evaluation of the sub-projects "Safe Spaces and Future Husbands Clubs" and "All Girls in School". Collaborating Institution: Ministry of Population and Welfare and Ministry of Public Health
- Participated in midline evaluation of the project "Food for Peace" Niger. Collaborating Institution: Catholic Relief Services, Save the Children
 - and Mercy Corps
- Helped in monitoring the external evaluation of "Let's Grow" Campaign. Collaborating Institution: SWISS CONTACT.

October 2012 - August 2013

Research Assistant National Institute of Statistics of Niger | Niamey, Niger

- Participated in data collection of the General Census of Population and Housing
- Performed the coding of the data from the General Census of Population and Housing.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Secured Major Grants

• Authored winning grant proposals resulting in over \$2 million in funding for various research and evaluation projects.

Adaptation of high-impact programs

• Led research teams that provided data and reports driving significant programs impact within 10+ institutions.

Papers presented at international conferences

 Social network and attitudes towards the timing of the first birth after marriage among married adolescent girls in rural communities in Niger. Sunbelt 2024, Edinburgh (Scotland) 24-30 June 2024, Year-based event organized by International Network for Social Network Analysis (INSNA).

- Social inequalities in health in old age: the influence of household living conditions on the use of health care among older people in Niger, Paper presented at the XXth AIDELF and 44th Chaire Quételet Colloquium August 2018, Brussels, Belgium.
- Demographic structure of household and food insecurity in the rural areas of Niger, Applied Demography Conference, February 7-9 in Annapolis, Maryland
- Women's empowerment and dietary diversity in rural Niger: evidence of an integrated approach, 8th African Population Conference 18 to 22 November 2019, Entebbe, Uganda
- Determinants of the duration of exclusive breastfeeding up to six months in Niger, presented at the XXVIII International Population Conference (IPC 2017), Cap Town, South Africa.

Research papers published

 Ilene Speizer and Amani Hachimou (2021). Assessment of segmentation and targeted counseling on family planning quality of care and client satisfaction: a facility-based survey of clients in Niger, BMC Health Services Research

Research papers waiting to be published

- Access to information on the wider range of contraceptive methods for adolescents and young people in Niger.
- Social network and attitudes towards the timing of the first birth after marriage among married adolescent girls in rural communities in Niger.
- Women's empowerment and dietary diversity in rural Niger: evidence of an integrated approach
- · Physical Health of the Elderly and Associated Factors in Rural Niger

EDUCATION

10/2016

Master's Degree in Demography

Institute for Demographic Training and Research (IFORD), Yaoundé, Cameroon | Key learnings: Demography, Public Health, Project design, Fertility, Quantitative methods, Statistics, Analysis tools and sofwares

10/2014

Master's Degree in Sociology

National university of Niger, Niamey, Niger | Key learnings: social norms and practices, social networks and change, thematical and content analysis

09/2012

Bachelor's degree in Sociology | Sociological approaches, Research methods, In-depth Interview, Focus groups
National university of Niger, Niamey, Niger

AFFILIATIONS

- International Union for the Scientific Study of Population (IUSSP)
- International Association of French Language Demographers (AIDELF)
- Union for African Population Studies (UAPS)

- Teamwork and collaboration: I believe that teamwork and collaboration is essential to success in any project. My philosophy towards work is centered around the idea of working together with my colleagues and partners to achieve our common goals.
- Responsibility and accountability: I believe that a strong sense of responsibility and accountability are essential qualities to bring to any project. My philosophy towards work is centered around the idea of taking ownership of my tasks and responsibilities, and being reliable and dependable in everything I do.
- Honesty, integrity, and professionalism: I believe that honesty, integrity, and professionalism are important qualities to bring to any project. My philosophy towards work is centered around these values and the idea of always doing the right thing, even when it's not the easiest or most convenient option.

COURSES/CERTIFICATES

- · Advanced Training in Sampling and Advanced statistical methods
- · Advanced training in Grant Proposal Writing by Candid
- Advanced Qualitative Research Analysis using MAXQDA, Atlas Ti
- Advanced training in social network analysis using R

LANGUAGES

French: First Language

English: C2

Proficient