## **INDIRA JEFFREY**

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### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Global executive leader with 25+ years of experience driving international expansion, strategic partnerships, and cross-border operations across the United States, Latin America, and Europe. Demonstrated ability to build high-performing teams, manage complex budgets, and scale mission-driven organizations. Expertise in nonprofit leadership, market development, higher education, financial services, and global consulting. Trilingual in English, Spanish, and French, with a strong record of impact and operational excellence in multicultural environments.

### **CORE COMPETENCIES**

- Executive Leadership & Vision
- Global Business Strategy
- Strategic Partnerships & Alliances
- International Operations & Market Expansion
- Nonprofit Management & Fundraising
- Higher Education Program Management
- Regulatory Compliance & Risk Mitigation
- Multicultural Team Development
- Trilingual: English, Spanish, French

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Arizona State University (ASU), Knowledge Enterprise — Phoenix, AZ Associate Director, Global Operations | Jan 2023 - Present

- Direct cross-functional teams—including academic researchers, project managers, and administrative staff—to define project requirements, task ownership, and deliverables for global initiatives.
- Collaborate with internal and external stakeholders to define project scope, goals, strategy, timeline, resource needs, and budget. Develop and implement plans that align with institutional priorities and international partnership objectives.
- Establish clear project expectations and maintain ongoing communication with stakeholders and team members to ensure alignment, resolve issues, and meet milestones.
- Monitor project progress, task completion, and interdependencies to identify risks or delays early. Implement proactive mitigation strategies to ensure project continuity and success.

## **Mujeres Latinas Unidas Foundation** — Chandler, AZ **President & Founder** | Nov 2024 – Present

- Founded and led a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization supporting Latina women through education, entrepreneurship, mental health, and ESL programs.
- Secured and managed funding for community-based workshops impacting over 190 women in the first year.
- Built a team of 25+ volunteers and launched a digital community of 25,000+ Latina members.
- Established strategic partnerships with public, private, and academic institutions to expand program reach and credibility.
- Directed all operations, including compliance, budgeting, program design, and advisory council engagement.

## **Thunderbird School of Global Management** — Phoenix, AZ **Program Manager, Latin America** | Dec 2019 – Dec 2022

- Managed international program delivery in Chile and Peru, including DreamBuilder, an entrepreneurship education platform for underserved women.
- Directed partnerships with local governments and NGOs to align educational programs with economic development goals.
- Hired, trained, and led multicultural teams, ensuring quality standards and mission alignment.
- Reported program outcomes to funders and institutional leadership.

# Charles Schwab & Co., Inc. — Phoenix, AZ Manager, Banking Operations | Jan 2013 – Jan 2018

- Managed day-to-day operations for domestic and international ACH/check processing functions.
- Improved service delivery, raising customer satisfaction by 25% through process enhancements.
- Ensured operational compliance with federal banking regulations and internal audit requirements.

## **Risk Analyst** | Apr 2006 – Dec 2012

- Implemented risk control systems across multiple departments, improving overall risk mitigation practices.
- Participated in enterprise-level initiatives including system upgrades, policy development, and business continuity planning.

## **EDUCATION**

## M.S., Global Technology & Development

Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ, 2024

#### Global MBA

Thunderbird School of Global Management, Glendale, AZ, 2012

## **B.A.**, International Trade

University of Guanajuato, Mexico, 1996

### **International Business Certificate**

Sup de Co La Rochelle, France, 1995

## **CERTIFICATIONS**

- Humentum, USAID Rules & Regulations: Grants & Cooperative Agreements (2024)
- Women's Entrepreneurship, Cornell University (2021)
- Sustainable Business Strategy, Harvard Business School Online (2020)
- Circular Economy Business Models, Ellen MacArthur Foundation (2020)
- Project Management for Development, Inter-American Development Bank (2020)
- Small Business Leadership, Arizona State University (2018)