

ADAM GROMIS

**Leonard N. Stern School of Business
Master of Business Administration, May 2010
Robert F. Wagner School of Public Service
Master of Public Administration, May 2010
Dual Degree**



Adam Gromis imagines a more socially and environmentally sustainable world through healthier communities. In particular, Adam believes lower income communities can become more sustainable through the acquisition of green collar jobs, environmental justice and transportation equity.

After earning a double major in Mechanical Engineering and Materials Science from University of California, Davis, Adam worked for a year at the California Air Resources Board (part of the California Environmental Protection Agency) investigating cleaner transportation options as they related to air quality, environmental justice and economic growth. Realizing the necessary but difficult-to-negotiate interrelation between governmental policy, commercial business, and public end-users, Adam took an opportunity to work for the California Fuel Cell Partnership (CaFCP) late in 2002. The CaFCP offered a one-of-a-kind opportunity to work in collaboration with businesses across multiple sectors and government agencies toward a common vision for a more sustainable transportation and energy future. At the CaFCP, Adam managed a small staff of professionals with programmatic responsibilities including public education, member consensus building, new technology safety, and best practices exchange.

In 2007, Adam came to New York University to study at both the business and public policy schools to further develop an understanding of the interrelation between economics, policy, and low income communities. Adam is now in his third and last year in the dual degree program at NYU Stern and NYU Wagner. He has served in multiple officer positions within Stern's Social Enterprise Association and worked as a Graduate Associate at NYU Wagner's Rudin Center for Transportation Policy and Management. Over the summer of 2008, Adam interned at United Technologies Corporation Power working on the business plan for an advanced zero emission public transportation solution.

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EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

California Fuel Cell Partnership, West Sacramento, CA

Program Manager, Jan. 2005 – July 2007

- Led a quarterly decision-making body comprised of over 40 management-level professionals from auto companies, energy providers, and government agencies for over two years, successfully executing three annual plans for fuel cell vehicle and infrastructure implementation
- Developed and managed a professional staff, and \$100K budget, covering over 20 different member services, forums, and resources designed to assist both industry firms and government agencies in deploying hydrogen infrastructure and fuel cell vehicles
- Increased organizational efficiency and project turnover by implementing a customized project management process and organizational structure, developed through client/member consensus
- Served as the Executive Director's secondary deputy for management functions including client/member relations and mediation
- Presented quarterly programmatic decision items and technical updates to the board of directors comprised of senior executives from all industry and government member organizations
- Developed presentations for and spoke at 5-7 major industry gatherings per year, both national and international, as CaFCP's technical spokesperson

Program Specialist, Oct. 2002 – Dec. 2004

- Managed over 15 projects covering safety, engineering evaluation systems, codes and standards, government regulations, and technology implementation analysis
- Conducted presentations and wrote reference materials for both technical stakeholders and the general public explaining fuel cell vehicle technology implementation

California Air Resources Board, Sacramento, CA

Engineering Student Intern, Sept. 2001 – Oct. 2002

- Coordinated the CARB Electric Vehicle Loan Program, engaging local governments in limited, demonstration loans of advanced electric vehicles developed by major automakers
- Recommended regulatory policy changes to the Zero Emission Vehicle Mandate based on analysis of California regulations and industry information on the use of small electric vehicles
- Developed outreach tools designed to educate the general public about clean vehicle technologies and air pollution challenges

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Cal Aggie Christian Association, Davis, CA

Board of Directors, member June 2003 – Aug. 2006

Endowment Board member, June 1999 – Aug. 2000

Davis Community Church, Davis, CA

Youth Group Leader, Jan. 1999 – May 2004

- Guitar/song leading, song writing, community service trip planning, social activity planning, youth counseling, and study lesson planning and leading.

EDUCATION

New York University, Stern School of Business, New York, NY

Candidate for Master of Business Administration, May 2010

Concentration: Strategy, Social Innovation & Impact

New York University, Wagner School of Public Service, New York, NY
Candidate for Master of Public Administration, May 2010
Concentration: Public Policy

DISTINCTIONS AND AFFILIATIONS

- NYU Reynolds Graduate Fellowship in Social Entrepreneurship, 2008
- NYU Stern Social Enterprise Association, New York, NY
- VP of Career Development, May 2008 – Present
- NetImpact (2007 Conference attendee)
- National Association of Rail Passengers
- USA Masters Swimming
- California Certified Engineer-in-Training

PUBLICATIONS

- *Next steps in implementing hydrogen powered fuel cell vehicles in California*, Hydrogen & Fuel Cells 2007 (Vancouver, BC), May 2007
- *Hydrogen safety training*, 2nd Annual Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Vehicle Workshop (Torrance, CA), Oct. 2006
- *Emergency response education in California*, NextEnergy Codes & Standards Workshop (Detroit, MI), Sept. 2006
- *Advances in understanding hydrogen quality in California*, Canadian Transportation Fuel Cell Alliance 5th Annual Meeting (Victoria, BC), Oct. 2005
- *Recent accomplishments of the California Fuel Cell Partnership*, Clean Energy Forum 2005 (Berlin, Germany), Oct. 2005