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### Bio

#### BIO

As Managing Director, Programs and External Engagement at the Stanford Institute for Human-Centered Artificial Intelligence (HAI), I lead initiatives that foster interdisciplinary collaboration and connect academic research with real-world impact. My work includes managing HAI's industry research partnerships, executive education, policy engagement and the AI Index, creating opportunities for leaders from diverse backgrounds to engage with cutting-edge AI research, its applications, and its potential for positive social impact.

Before joining Stanford, I worked in management consulting, applying statistics, machine learning, and data science to advise government agencies, biotech firms, and nonprofit organizations. My work centered on making complex methods accessible to decision makers, ensuring technical rigor translated into actionable strategies.

I hold an MS in Engineering Management and Computational Mathematics from Johns Hopkins University and a BA in Industrial Engineering from Arizona State University. I am passionate about turning bold ideas into impact, and am recognized for my collaborative, process-driven approach to problem-solving.