

Profile of St. Rachel Ustanny

Mrs. Ustanny is an Educator and Human Rights Advocate. She holds a double major Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.) degree in Political Science & International Relations, a Master of Science (M.Sc.) degree in Gender and Development Studies, and professional certificates in Advocacy Communications & Video Advocacy.

Mrs. Ustanny has ten years professional experience in several development-related fields and has contributed to several aspects of national development, including:

- Politics & Governance
- Education & Training
- Advocacy Communications & Public Relations
- Market Research & Business Development
- Human Rights: Sexual & Reproductive, Economic & Social rights
- Youth & Community Development
- Inmate Rehabilitation

Mrs. Ustanny is currently pursuing doctoral studies in Education. She recently formed a non-government organisation (NGO), which targets Jamaican youth, and she is currently the Community Educator & Advocacy Specialist at Jamaicans for Justice (JFJ) a human rights NGO, which advocates for citizen's rights. In addition to that post, Mrs. Ustanny is also Research & Development Specialist at Elora Consulting, her sole proprietorship, which supports national, regional and international stakeholders of national development. Mrs. Ustanny is also a board member of the Human Vaccine Trials Network (HVTN) Community Advisory Board. In the past Mrs. Ustanny served as a:

- Board Director of the Creative Production and Training Centre (CPTC)
- Coordinator of the Coalition for Community Participation in Governance (CCPG), a local NGO that works on issues of sanitation and personal hygiene
- HIV/AIDS Advocate at the Jamaican Network of Seropositives (JN+), a national network of HIV positive Jamaicans
- Social Studies, History & Form Teacher (Grades 10 & 11)

Mrs. Ustanny has contributed directly to the development of human rights programming for the following organisations:

- Jamaicans for Justice (JFJ)
- Coalition for Community Participation in Governance (CCPG)
- Jamaica AIDS Support for Life (JASL)
- Jamaican Network of Seropositives (JN+)
- HVTN Community Advisory Board