

# SAVANNAH PAYNE

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## EDUCATION

### AUGUST 2021-PRESENT

**Anticipated graduation May 2026**

Doctor of English, Texas A&M University, College Station

### MAY 2021

Master of Arts, English, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

Thesis: *“Demonic Creatures”: Rethinking Tennessee Williams’ “Desperate” Women*

### MAY 2019

Bachelor of Arts, English and Gender Studies, West Virginia Wesleyan College

Thesis: *Illusion, Delusion, and Decay: Fractured and Failed Performances of Southern Masculinity in Cat on a Hot Tin Roof and Wise Blood*

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### MAY 2022-PRESENT

Instructor of Record of Business and Technical Writing (two sections), Texas A&M University

### AUGUST 2021-MAY 2022

Instructor of Record of Composition and Rhetoric (two sections), Texas A&M University

### AUGUST 2020-MAY 2021

Instructor of Record of Composition and Rhetoric (two sections), Virginia Tech

### SPRING 2020

Teaching Assistant to Dr. Karen Swenson’s ENGL-1654: Science Fiction and Fantasy (one section), Virginia Tech

### FALL 2019

Teaching Assistant to Dr. Su Fang Ng’s ENGL-1004: Books, Libraries, Archives (two sections), Virginia Tech

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### MAY 2022-PRESENT

Secretary of the English Graduate Student Association, Texas A&M University

### DECEMBER 2020-JANUARY 2021

Edited proofs of Dr. Amanda Demmer's manuscript *After Saigon's Fall: Refugees and US-Vietnamese Relations, 1975-2000* (Cambridge University Press, 2021)

### MAY 2020-JULY 2020

Transcribed preliminary manuscript for upcoming revised and expanded edition of *The Collected Poetry of Nikki Giovanni, 1968-1998* (HarperCollins Publishers, intended 2023)

### JANUARY 2020-JULY 2020

Writing Center Coach, Virginia Tech

### AUGUST 2019-MAY 2020

Departmental Delegate to the Graduate Student Association, Virginia Tech

### JANUARY 2018-MAY 2019

Writing Center Staff Manager, West Virginia Wesleyan College

### JANUARY 2017-JANUARY 2018

Writing Center Coach, West Virginia Wesleyan College

## PRESENTATIONS

### APRIL 2022

"Billy Pilgrim (and Dana Mills) Have Come Unstuck in Time: *The Mere Wife, Slaughterhouse-Five*, and the Impossibility of Peacetime" at Popular Culture Association/American Culture Association Conference

## AWARDS

### MAY 2020

Richard G. Hoffman GTA Teaching Award, Virginia Tech