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EDUCATION

PhD in History (Enrolled) Fall 2017-Present Texas A&M University Thematic Cluster: Chicano/Latino History May 2016 MA in History Sam Houston State University Concentration: Latin America Thesis Defense: High Pass Comprehensive Exams: Three High Passes **BA** in History May 2014 Sam Houston State University Minors: English, Political Science Honors: Cum Laude AWARDS, SCHOLARSHIPS, GRANTS Larry W. and Judith Luckett Endowment Fall 2019 Departmental Summer Research Grants 2019-2020 David Chapman Graduate Fellowship Fall 2018 Ben Powell Writing Award for MA Thesis Spring 2016 Top Ten Percent of Graduating Class, Sam Houston State University Spring 2014 Dean's List Spring 2014 Dean's List Fall 2013 Dean's List Spring 2013 President's List Spring 2012 President's List Fall 2011 TEXAS Grant, Sam Houston State University 2010 - 2014Bearkat Grant, Sam Houston State University 2011 - 2012Top 10% Scholarship, Sam Houston State University 2010 - 2012Year One Academic Competitiveness Grant, SHSU 2010 - 2011Veterans of Foreign Wars Scholarship, Cameron VFW 2010 - 2011TEACHING EXPERIENCE AND SERVICE **Graduate Assistant** Fall 2017-Present TAMU Department of History Panel Chair, "Redefining Texan Identity: Public Education, Rhetoric, Race, and Gender" Spring 2019 10th Annual HGSO Conference **Conference Selection and Outreach Committees** Spring 2019 10th Annual HGSO Conference

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Panel Chair, "Indigeneity in the 20th Century" Spring 2018 HGSO 9th Annual Conference **Conference Selection Committee** Fall 2017 HGSO 9th Annual Conference **Adjunct Faculty, History** 2016-2017 Sam Houston State University **Adjunct Faculty, History** 2016-2017 Lone Star College- Montgomery **EWCAT Sessions for Dr. Amy Rogers Dean** Fall 2015 Facilitated multiple undergraduate class discussions about primary documents Sam Houston Folk Festival May 1-2, 2015 Public history presentation on the Mexican-American War and volunteered in the children's tent **Teaching Assistant** Fall 2014- Spring 2016 Sam Houston State University Department of History Sam Houston Folk Festival May 2014 Volunteered in the arts/crafts tent for children Substitute Teacher - Huntsville Independent School District 2014 - 2015Substituted for public school teachers, taught pre-kindergarten to high school grades. CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS "With an Audacity and Boldness that Is Rare:" Female Andean Insurgents (1780-1781) April 2018 Paper presented at the Rocky Mountain Council for Latin American Studies Conference "Mexican Americans in World War One: Private Emilio Gonzalez" November 2016 Paper presented at the 60th Annual Meeting of the American Studies Association of Texas "Protecting Peru's Cultural Heritage" April 2016 Thesis chapter presented at the 3rd Annual Woodlands Center Symposium "The Peruvian Cultural Attachment to Mining" January 2016

Thesis chapter presented at the Phi Alpha Theta 2016 Biennial Convention in Orlando, Florida

Paper presented at the World History Association Conference in Savannah, Georgia

July 2015

"Saving the Nazca Lines: The Destructive Powers of Mining in Peru"