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EDUCATION

Bachelor of Arts in English Literature California State University, Northridge (CSUN)	May 2019
MA/PhD in English University of Connecticut (UConn)	August 2019 – Present

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Independent Research Project Funded by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Supervised by Krystal Howard, English, CSUN An analysis of the depiction of trauma in a contemporary memoir for young readers by Mexican-American author, Reyna Grande.	December 2018
Digital Humanities Research Assistant, WhatEvery1Says Funded by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Supervised by Alan Liu, English, UCSB Utilized Python, Jupyter Notebook, data mining, and word scraping algorithms to generate topic models and word embedding models of online news articles to identify themes surrounding public discourse about the humanities through distant reading https://we1s.ucsb.edu	July 2018 – July 2020
Independent Research Project Funded by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Supervised by Krystal Howard, English, CSUN An analysis of the depiction of trauma in a contemporary memoir for young readers by a Mexican American author. Led to a forthcoming publication and presentation at the University of Pennsylvania.	November 2018

PRESENTATIONS

"Encouraging Empathy Through Memoir: Reyna Grande and Childhood Trauma," Children's Literature Association, Indianapolis, IN.	June 2019
"Trauma, Machismo, and Childhood Abuse in Reyna Grande's Memoir Adapted for Young Readers," HSI Pathways Cross-Institutional Conference, Philadelphia, PA.	February 2019
"Evolving Perceptions of the Ideal Wife from the Middle Ages to the 17th Century," Annual Student Research and Creative Works Symposium, Northridge, CA.	April 2018

PUBLICATIONS

"Compiling a Latin American Corpus: Reflections" Co-Authored Blog Post, August 2018
WhatEvery1Says.

HONORS AND AWARDS

Graduate Student Diversity Fellowship in Digital Humanities   Fall 2020 – Present
College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and Greenhouse Studios, UConn

Harriott Fellowship   Fall 2019 – Present
The Graduate School Fellowship Awards, UConn

HSI Pathways/Mellon Student Fellowship   Spring 2018 – Spring 2020
The University of Pennsylvania & The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation

Second Prize, Undergraduate Oral 10-Minute Presentation   April 2018
Student Research and Creative Works Symposium, CSUN

Dean's List
College of Humanities, CSUN   Fall 2017 – Spring 2019
School of Humanities, College of the Canyons   Spring 2017

INSTRUCTIONAL EXPERIENCE

Instructor on Record   Fall 2019 – Spring 2020
First Year Writing, UConn
Instruct 24 students two times a week for two hours each session. Facilitate
and assess projects that build upon writing skills such as collecting and
curating, theorizing, engaging a conversation, and circulating.

Supplemental Instructor   Fall 2018 – Spring 2019
Freshman Writing Seminar, CSUN
Instructed 20 students two times a week for an hour each session; Provided
them with the tools necessary for creating arguments, writing essays, and
analyzing various forms of literature for undergraduate English course(s)

SERVICE

Hospitality Co-Chair   Fall 2020 – Present
English Graduate Student Association, UConn

College of Humanities Student Ambassador, CSUN   Fall 2018 – Spring 2019

Treasurer   Fall 2018 – Spring 2019
4Humanities@CSUN (digital humanities student group)

Board Member and Treasurer   Fall 2017 – Spring 2019
National Society of Leadership and Success, CSUN

SKILLS

Technology/Software for Digital Humanities:
MATLAB
Basic Python
Jupyter Notebook
Digital Word Scraping

Languages:
English (fluent)
Spanish (fluent)

Certificates:
UConn First Year Writing WAT Institute Certification
Certificate of Graduate School Preparation
CSUN Immersive Summer Program