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Education

Ph.D. The University of Illinois at Chicago, History, Latin America	Chicago, IL, In Progress
MA The University of Illinois at Chicago, History, Latin America	Chicago, IL, May 2019
BA The City College of New York, History, Latin America	New York, NY, June 2017
AAS Fashion Institute of Technology, Fashion Design—Couture	New York, NY, May 1995

Academic Experience

The University of Illinois at Chicago, Teaching Assistant Fall 2017 – Present

- HIST/RELS 177, Middle Eastern Civilization, SP 2024
- HIST 214, Twentieth Century Europe, SP 2021
- HIST 272, China Since 1911, SP 2020
- HIST 101, Making the Modern World (Western Civilization since 1648), SP 2019, SU 2020
- HIST 255, History of Chicago, FL 2018
- HIST 104, Modern America From Industrialization to Globalization, SP 2018, FL 2019
- HIST/LALS 262, Latin America Since 1850, FL 2017, FL 2020, FL 2022, FL 2023
- HIST 106, The World Since 1400, SP 2023

AT Prep Tutoring, Great Neck, NY April 2023 – Present

- AP World, AP US History, and Regents Prep for History Exams

LaGuardia Community College—CUNY, Teaching Assistant Summer 2017 and Summer 2018

- USR 099, Reading and Writing Methods

The City College of New York—CUNY, Grants and Sponsored Programs February 2015 – June 2016

- Division of Research, Assistant Grants Coordinator: Assisted Grants Coordinators with the solicitation and application processes. Managed proposals database—application submission, routing, tracking, and amendments. Prepared interface with funding sources for awarded distributions.

Fellowships, Grants, and Research

Department of History at The University of Illinois at Chicago July 2022

- Summer Research Grant – Principal Investigator funded for summer dissertation research in El Salvador.

The Graduate College at The University of Illinois at Chicago July 2022

- Award for Graduate Research – Principal Investigator funded for summer dissertation research in El Salvador.

The Graduate College at The University of Illinois at Chicago August 2021 – August 2022

- Access to Excellence Fellowship – Principal Investigator funded for dissertation research year; working title: “Exacting Salvadoran Nationalism: Civil War and Redefining What it Means to be Salvadoran.”

Department of History at The University of Illinois at Chicago August 2017 – May 2021

- History Doctoral Award – Enhanced teaching assistantship awarded for excellence.

The Social Science Research Council, Northwestern University May – September 2019

- Summer Research Grant – Principal Investigator funded for summer research in El Salvador and participation in the Dissertation Proposal Development Program sponsored by The Social Science Research Council at Northwestern University.

- Cristosal: The Global School, El Salvador June 2018
- Presentation and Research Grant – Principal Investigator funded for participation in “Challenges for Researchers in Violent Environments” International Conference in San Salvador, El Salvador and archival research at: Archivo General de la Nación, Universidad Centroamericana (UCA), and Universidad de El Salvador (UES).
- The City College of New York—CUNY January 2015 - May 2017
- Undergraduate Fellowship
- The City College of New York—CUNY October 2016 - May 2017
- NYC Men Teach Fellowship
- The Graduate Center, The City University of New York June 2015 - December 2016
- Pipeline Fellowship
- The City College of New York—CUNY August 2015 - August 2016
- S J Levy Fellowship
- El Salvador, Universidad Centroamericana, San Salvador June - August 2016
- The City College of New York Undergraduate Fellowship and The City College of New York S J Levy Fellowship – Principal Investigator, in Collaboration with the Historical Memory Project at John Jay College of Criminal Justice, funded for archival research and collection of oral testimonies on the assassination of Oscar Arnulfo Romero, Archbishop of San Salvador, and his implication in the formation of the Farabundo Marti Para La Liberación Nacional (FMLN) revolutionary coalition and Civil War in El Salvador throughout 1980.
- Argentina, Universidad Nacional de Tres de Febrero, Buenos Aires January 2016
- The City University of New York Pipeline Fellowship – Principal Investigator funded for archival research and collection of oral testimonies on the 1976 Process of National Reorganization in relation to genocide and crimes against humanity.
- Chile, Universidad Bolivariana, Facultad de Derecho, Santiago January 2015
- The City College of New York International Studies Program – Principal Investigator funded to conduct research under the direction of Judge Juan Salvador Guzmán Tapia—who led investigations and the prosecution of Augusto Pinochet for violations of human rights during his dictatorship between 1973 and 1990—and collect oral testimonies on the Pinochet regime and the processes of transition to democracy post-dictatorship.

Presentations

- Central Michigan University March 29-30, 2019
- “Transcending Boundaries” International Graduate Historical Studies Conference - Presenter. “The Salvadoran Revolution: The Ultimate Expression of Socio-Political Mobilization—From Social Struggle to Armed Conflict, 1980.” Winner for Best Paper.
- Cristosal: The Global School, El Salvador June 12-19, 2018
- “Challenges for Researchers in Violent Environments” International Conference in San Salvador, El Salvador - Presenter. “Usurped Citizenship, Sovereignty, and Freedom: Bloody Liberation, El Salvador 1980-1992.”
- City University of New York - Graduate Center May 2016
- Annual Pipeline Thesis Symposium - Presenter. “Interrupted Democracy in Chilean History Throughout Augusto Pinochet’s Dictatorship (1973-1990): Voices from Within.”

Service

- Chicago Metro History Fair Spring 2018
- Served as judge in the Spring 2018 Chicago Metro History Fair, sponsored by the Chicago History Museum, evaluating high school projects submitted by students in the Chicago metropolitan area for a chance to compete in the national fair.
- The University of Illinois at Chicago, Mission Statement Committee Member September 2017 - December 2017

- As a committee member, worked alongside the Chairman, Graduate Studies Director of the History Department at UIC, and other faculty, rewriting the mission statement for the department. The new mission statement capitulates the American Historical Association's diversity initiative that aims to diversify the Ph.D. for the next generation of scholars.

The City College of New York—CUNY

August 2016 - May 2017

- Undergraduate Mentor: Assisted Dr. Adrienne Petty, American History and Black Studies professor and Dr. Seiji Shirane, Japanese History and Asian Studies professor—mentoring students and helping them with the process of analyzing history and articulating their understanding through writing.

Centro Arte Para La Paz, Suchitoto, El Salvador

June - July 2016

- Volunteer Instructor: Taught English as a second language, visual arts, and computer literacy through an enrichment program dedicated to peace rebuilding through education and the arts.

Other Experience

A. Phillip Randolph High School, New York

Fall 2016

- Assistant Teacher, assisted 9th and 10th Grade Dual Language (English/Spanish) Global Studies teacher, collaborated in the lesson planning process, assembled coursework materials for students, helped teacher with grading assignments.

City College Academy of Arts Middle School, New York

Spring 2016

- Assistant Teacher, assisted 8th Grade Social Studies teacher, collaborated in the lesson planning process, mentored students one-on-one to complete assignments, led class instruction periodically throughout the semester, substituted teacher when teacher was absent from class.

George Washington High School, New York

Fall 2015

- Assistant Teacher, assisted 10th Grade Global Studies teacher, took attendance, graded assignments, assisted students completing in-class assignments, led class instruction at intervals throughout the semester.

Central Park East High School, New York

Fall 2014

- Assistant Teacher, assisted 10th Grade Social Studies teacher, assembled coursework materials for students, helped teacher with grading assignments.

Fashion Design Industry, New York

1995-2013

- Design Consultant / Designer / Design Director—collaborated with various firms: Polo Ralph Lauren, J. Crew, Nautica International, Phillips Van Heusen, HMX Sportswear, NY&CO, and Sears Holdings Corporation—spearheaded design teams in the execution of all product design processes — from concept to production.

Languages

Spanish (Native Speaker)

English (Native Speaker)