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## EDUCATION

- PhD (2018-present) *University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill*, English and Comparative Literature  
Advisor: Heidi Kim  
Committee: Danielle Christmas, María DeGuzmán, Tim Marr
- BA (2017) *Bellarmino University*, English Literature, Spanish, *magna cum laude*.  
Honors Thesis: “True Crime as a Literature of Advocacy”  
Advisor: Jon Blandford

## RESEARCH FOCUS

20th Century American Literature, Literary Trauma Studies, Literature of War (especially WWI and Vietnam), Critical Race Studies, Health Humanities, Memory Studies, Archival Studies, Print Culture.

## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 08/2019-present Graduate Teaching Fellow, *University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill*
- 08/2018-present Research Assistant to the Director of Undergraduate Studies, Department of English & Comparative Literature, *University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill*
- 06/2019-08/2019 Research Assistant to Dr. Heidi Kim, assisting in curriculum design for interdisciplinary course on climate change, *University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill*
- 2018-2019 Research Assistant to Diversity & Inclusion Committee Chair, Department

of English & Comparative Literature, *University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill*

## FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS, AND GRANTS

2020

- Latina/o Studies Program Teaching Award, *University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill*
- James Peacock REACH Fellowship, Center for Global Initiatives, *University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill*
- Center for the Study of the American South Summer Research Grant, *University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill*
- Graduate Teaching Fellowship, *University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill*

2019

- Graduate Teaching Fellowship, *University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill*

2017

- Best Undergraduate Thesis Prize, *Bellarmino University*
- Faculty Merit Award in English, *Bellarmino University*
- Faculty Merit Award in Global Languages and Culture, *Bellarmino University*
- Bellarmine Scholar Award, *Bellarmino University*

## PUBLIC HUMANITIES WORK

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| 2018-2020   | Jane Austen Summer Program, <i>University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill</i><br>Committee Chair: Ball, Committee Member: Food, Craft Merchandise<br>Presented “Context Corner” Talk<br>Small Discussion Group Facilitator |
| Fall 2020   | AMST 715: Community Histories Workshop, <i>University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill</i> . Participated in class research and presentation related to Dorothea Dix State Hospital Archives.                               |
| Spring 2019 | UNC Veterans Writing Workshop, <i>University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill</i><br>Small Group Creative Writing Facilitator   |

## SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

**Digital Presentation:** "The Militia Comes to Meryton: Quartering in Jane Austen's Time." The Humanities in Class Digital Library, National Humanities Center, first presented at the Jane Austen Summer Program, June 2019,  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?time\\_continue=86&v=ZkRkC7AIU-Q&feature=emb\\_logo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=86&v=ZkRkC7AIU-Q&feature=emb_logo).

**Invited Speaker:** Community Histories Workshop Symposium. "All of the Red Tape and All of the Lies: Examining a Patient's Confrontation with the Psychiatric Committee at Dorothea Dix Hospital." March 2020. \*Cancelled due to COVID-19.

**Guest Lecturer:** AMST 715, Community Histories. "All of the Red Tape and All of the Lies: Examining a Patient's Confrontation with the Psychiatric Committee at Dorothea Dix Hospital." February 2020.

**Plenary Speaker:** "The Militia Comes to Meryton: Quartering in Jane Austen's Time," Jane Austen Summer Program, Chapel Hill, NC, June 2019.

**Panel Presentation:** "Confronting the Past in Memorial Spaces: The Vietnam Veterans Memorial," Northeast Modern Language Association Convention, Washington D.C., March 2019.

**Panel Presentation:** "True Crime as a Literature of Advocacy," National Conference on Undergraduate Research, University of Memphis, April 2017.

**Panel Presentation:** "True Crime as Advocacy: Erle Stanley Gardner's *The Court of Last Resort*," Kentucky Honors Roundtable Conference, University of Kentucky, February 2017.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### Instructor of Record

Fall 2020	Writing at the Research University (ENGL 105), UNC-Chapel Hill *online
Spring 2020	Writing at the Research University (ENGL 105), UNC-Chapel Hill *shifted online
Fall 2019	Writing at the Research University (ENGL 105), UNC-Chapel Hill

### NGO Teaching

Spring 2016 Adult ESL Instructor, Kentucky Refugee Ministries, Louisville, KY

## ACADEMIC SERVICE & TRAINING

2020 ENGL 675: Online Pedagogy  
2020 Safe Zone Continuing Education - Intersex  
2019 Partnering with Campus Groups in ENGL 105: Workshop  
2019 Safe Zone Training  
2019 Tableau Training Workshop