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Education

PhD Anthropology | In Progress
Graduate Minor in Latina/Latino Studies
Graduate Minor in Queer Studies
University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

Bachelor of Arts, Anthropology | May 2018
Minor in African American and African Studies
Minor in Chicano/Latino Studies
Michigan State University

Fellowships and Awards

Fellowships

2024. Charles and Janet Keller Fellowship. Department of Anthropology. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign.

2023 – 2024. Center for Critical Internet Inquiry Summer Dissertation Fellowship. University of California, Los Angeles.

2023 – 2018. Graduate College Fellowship. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign.

2021. National Humanities Without Walls Pre-Doctoral Career Diversity Workshop Fellowship. Humanities Research Institute. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign.

Awards

2024 (In Progress). Certificate in Foundations of Teaching. Center for Innovation in Teaching and Learning. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign.

2023. Mentoring Certificate. Graduate College. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign.

2023. Zora Neale Hurston Scholarship Award. Zeta National Educational Foundation.

2022. List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent by their Students, *ANTH 270: Language and Culture*. Center for Innovation in Teaching and Learning. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign.

2022. Scholarship Award. Lambda Theta Alpha Foundation.

2022. Humanities Without Walls Summer Bridge Experience. Humanities Research Institute, Graduate College of Illinois, and We CU. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign.

2021. Summer Research Award. Department of Anthropology. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign.

Publications

Forthcoming. **Escamilla, Breanna** (Managing Author), Fleischmann Adam, Gupta Kristin, Quinn Hannah, Ross Scott and Lachlan Summers. *Being @culanth: Social Media and Academic Practice Series. Member Voices in Fieldsights*, Society of Cultural Anthropology.

2020. **Escamilla, Breanna**, and Robyn Taylor-Neu. “Digitally Mediated Relations: An Interview with Molly Hales”. Supplemental, Society of Cultural Anthropology.

Presentations

2023. Panelist. *The 'X' Factor: #AnthroTwitter, Academic labor, and Anthropological Community in a Time of Technological Transition* Roundtable. American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting. November.

2019. Presenter. *Survivance, Sustainability, and the Self*. National Association of Chicana and Chicano Studies. April.

2019. Panelist. *Queer of Color Imaginations of Pleasure & Practice*. American Ethnological Society, Association for Black Anthropologists, and Association of Latina/Latino Anthropologist Joint Spring Meeting. March.

2019. Presenter. *The Intimacies of Sharing: (Digital) Storytelling*. Latina/Latino Studies Graduate Student Symposium. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. February.

Speaking Engagements

2024. Panelist. *Educational Journeys: Towards Higher Education*. Office of Minority Student Affairs. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. February.

2023. Panelist. *Minority Graduate Students in the Humanities Panel*. Society of Minority Undergraduate Students in History. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign.

2021 – 2022. Panelist. *Interdisciplinary Discussion Project*. Humanities Research Institute. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. October – February.

2021. Panelist. *Towards Community: Navigating Graduate School*. Department of Anthropology. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. September.

2020. Panelist. *What is it? Research in the Social Science and Humanities*. Undergraduate Research and Creative Activity Office. Michigan State University. November.

2020. Invited Respondent. *A Conversation with Sandra Ruiz on Ricanness: Enduring Time in Anticolonial Performance*. Unit for Criticism and Interpretive Theory Spring 2020 Faculty Fellows Symposium. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. March.

2019. Panelist. *Collaborative Worlding: The Materiality, Affect, and Fleshy Processes of Kinship-Formation*. La Casa Cultural Latina Mentoring Encouraging Teaching Achieving (META) Program. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. February.

Teaching

Fall 2023. Teaching Assistant. *ANTH 101: Introduction to Anthropology*. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign.

2022 – 2023. Teaching Assistant. *ANTH 103: Anthropology in a Changing World*. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign.

2022 – 2023. Teaching Assistant. *ANTH 101: Introduction to Anthropology*. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign.

Spring 2022. Teaching Assistant. *ANTH 270: Language in Culture*. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. Selected for the List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent by their Students*

2021 – 2022. Teaching Assistant. *The Diaspora and Border Racial Justice Youth Project*. Urbana High School. Call to Action to Address Racism & Social Injustice Research Program. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign.

Fall 2021. Teaching Assistant. *ANTH 103: Anthropology in a Changing World*. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign.

2019 – 2020. Teaching Assistant. *ANTH 103: Anthropology in a Changing World*. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign.

Professional Service and Experience

Department of Anthropology

2023 – 2024. Committee Member. Development/Marketing and Communications. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign.

2021 – 2022. Sociocultural and Linguistic Anthropology Graduate Student Representative. Graduate Anthropology Student Association. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign.

2018 – 2019. Co-organizer. *Moving Intimacies: A Sociocultural Graduate Student Symposium*. Department of Anthropology. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. September - March.

University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

2023 – 2024. Organizer. *Educational Journeys: Towards Higher Education*. Office of Minority Student Affairs. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. September - February.

2020 – Present. Peer-Mentor. Doctoral Research Support Program. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign.

2019 – 2023. Undergraduate Mentor. Illinois Promise Program. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign.

2021 – 2022. Co-organizer. *Formations: Graduate Student Colloquium*. Department of Gender and Women's Studies. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. October - March.

Discipline

2018 – Present. Contributing Editor. Social Media Team. Society of Cultural Anthropology.