

# Harper KENNINGTON

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## EDUCATION

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- FALL 2019 MA, ART HISTORY, **The University of Texas at Dallas**, Richardson  
Program utilizes an objects-based, global approach to art history.  
Coursework includes historiography, theory, and professional practice.  
Thesis: Towards a Mestizo History of Contact and the Continuation  
of Ancient Mesoamerican Art Forms (tentative).  
GPA: 4.0
- FALL 2016 BA, HISTORICAL STUDIES, **The University of Texas at Dallas**, Richardson  
Departmental Honors | Major: Historical Studies  
Capstone: *Power, Sugar, and Treason: Christopher Codrington  
and the Plantocracy, 1700-1710* | Advisor: Prof. Eric SCHLERETH  
MAJOR GPA: 3.9
- SUMMER 2016 Archaeological Field School, **California State University Chico**, Antigua  
Studied field methodology and excavation techniques.

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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- SUMMER 2017 | Nelson's Dockyard Museum, Antigua (UNESCO World Heritage Site)  
*Archaeological Conservation Intern*  
Internship with conservator and archaeologist Georgia Fox, Ph.D. from California State University, Chico to document, stabilize, preserve, and re-install the entire museum collection from the Dockyard Museum in Nelson's Dockyard—a UNESCO World Heritage site. Trained in archaeological conservation and laboratory methodology. Objects from the collection include pre-Colombian, historic, and modern periods.
- SUMMER 2016 | Chico Archaeological and Bioarchaeological Field School, Antigua  
*Archaeological Field Student*  
Excavation and historical archaeology at Monk's Hill (PAH-009) and bioarchaeology at Galleon Beach. Practiced basic field methodology, processed and catalogued human remains and artifacts, re-designed exhibition at the Dockyard Museum.
- 2015-2016 | Automata Lab, UT Dallas  
*Undergraduate Researcher*  
Worked with diverse team to draw parallels between themes in art history and computer science concepts. Used visual diagramming techniques from computer science, such as knowledge-graphs, as alternative tools for analyzing art history.

## SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

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- SPRING 2019 McDermott Scholars Program Alumni Association Excellence in the Arts Award  
2015 - 2016 UT Dallas Cultural Scholar Leadership Council  
FALL 2013 National Hispanic Recognition Award  
2013 - 2016 Academic Excellence Scholarship  
2013 - 2016 National Hispanic Recognition Program Scholarship

## SKILLS AND CERTIFICATIONS

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- Languages: English (primary), Spanish (literate), Nahuatl (beginner)  
Teaching: Advanced Graduate Teaching Certificate, UTD (in progress)  
Diving: PADI Rescue Diver, Wreck Diver  
Social: Safe Zone Project Ally Training for LGBTQ+ Awareness

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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AUG 2018 - PRESENT	<b>Graduate Teaching Assistant, University of Texas at Dallas, Richardson</b> Courses include AHST 1303 and AHST 1304. Duties include supplemental instruction, classroom management, and grading for 120+ students.
AUG 2017 - JULY 2018	<b>Renaissance Fellow, Dallas Contemporary, Dallas</b> Multidisciplinary role; work included education, development, and curatorial duties. Examined and produced condition reports for outgoing works. Authored grants and presented to awarding committees for exhibition and education support initiatives. Developed educational literature for museum visitors.
JAN 2017 - JUNE 2017	<b>Gallery Intern, Cris Worley Fine Arts, Dallas</b> Researched artist backgrounds and wrote artist biographies. Wrote and published press releases for upcoming exhibitions. Maintained gallery space, assisted with client appointments, updated gallery inventory in Gallery Manager, organized contact information in Constant Contact, and shipment preparation.
JAN 2015 - JULY 2017	<b>Membership Assistant, Dallas Museum of Art, Dallas</b> Provided on-site administrative assistance and customer service. Worked with membership team to develop strategic methods for membership solicitation. Software used included Razor's Edge and Microsoft Office Suite.

## MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS

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2019 - Current	Dallas Museum of Art College Advisory Council
2016 - Current	American Institute for Conservation of Historic and Artistic Works
2015 - Current	The American Alliance of Museums
2014 - Fall 2016	Cultural Scholars Leadership Committee, UT Dallas
2014 - Fall 2016	Art History Association, Founder, UT Dallas

## INTERESTS AND ACTIVITIES

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Traveling, scuba diving, photography, hiking, and fishing.