

# CLARA FERREIRA LOPES

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## EDUCATION

<b>University of California San Diego/ English Major</b> La Jolla, California	2022–2026
<b>Portola High School</b> Irvine, California	2019 – 2022
<b>Coppell High School</b> Coppell, Texas	2018–2019

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## WORK EXPERIENCE

<b>Teaching Fellow/ All Student Meeting Chair</b>	Summer 2023 and Summer 2021
<b>Breakthrough San Juan Capistrano and Breakthrough Silicon Valley</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A global human rights organization that works with low-income, first-generation students to get them on the college pathway. The program for these students is 6 years long, and part of it is summer school, taught by high school and college students who apply.</li><li>• Made and taught lesson plans about argumentative essay writing to two 7th grade classes</li><li>• Served as crew leader, taking on camp counselor role of administering games and fun team bonding activities during breaks.</li><li>• Managed student prep for All Student Meetings by helping crews plan presentations.</li></ul>	
<b>Summer Sales Associate</b>	June, 2022– August, 2022
<b>Cotton On</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Interacted with costumers to recommend clothing items that best suit their tastes and interests.</li><li>• Encouraged costumers to buy tote bags that went towards the Cotton On Foundation which donates money to help with education in under-resourced areas.</li><li>• Up-to-date knowledge on the new trends and clothing items.</li><li>• Working collaboratively with a team of 7 sales associate.</li></ul>	

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## EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

<b>Intergenerational Connections Officer and member</b> <b>University of California – San Diego</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A student organization that volunteers at nursing homes and does activities with the elderly.</li><li>• Picked the bookclub book and lead bookclub discussions.</li><li>• Attend weekend events and organize member and officer meetings.</li></ul>	2022–now
<b>Portola Pilot – Arts and Entertainment Editor</b> <b>Portola High School</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Arts &amp; Entertainment Editor, Social Media Team.</li><li>• Post daily and create Instagram stories for audience engagement.</li><li>• Select, edit, and design layouts for the arts and entertainment page of the school's newspaper and post weekly articles online, managing 10–15 stories per cycle, on top of writing 2+ stories each month.</li></ul>	2020–2022

**Thespian Society – Vice President of Public Service**

2019–2022

**Portola High School**

- Vice President of Public Service, Treasurer, Public Relations.
- Maintain the Thespian Instagram and create unique posts for social media to engage our troupe.
- Coordinate the transition to virtual platform for 25 peers.
- Orchestrate public service projects, such as book drives to send children's books to Sri Lanka.

**Cappies Team – Co-Lead, Critic**

2019–2022

**Portola High School**

- Co-Lead, Critic.
- Celebrating high school theater by watching and writing reviews for 5–6 shows yearly.
- Manage a team of 8 critics, verifying attendance, setting deadlines, and developing/running workshops and peer engagement.
- Two of my reviews have been chosen for publication on the Cappies Orange County website.

**Youth Action Team**

2020–2022

**Portola High School**

- Earned 100+ hours through various service projects to support the local community.
- Making care packages for front-line workers during COVID, food drives, and making dog toys for local shelters.

**Spring Play, "Almost, Maine" Actress and Director**

2022

**Portola High School**

- Coordinate/lead activities to promote camaraderie among cast members.
- Oversee casting, blocking, character work, and rehearsals for spring play.
- Attend rehearsals 4 times a week and perform three shows

**Spring Play, "The Wreck on the 5:25" Director**

2021

**Portola High School**

- Coordinate/lead activities to promote camaraderie among cast members.
- Oversee casting, blocking, character work, and rehearsals for spring play.
- Coordinate sets with tech by making spreadsheets and emails since no in-person interactions could be made between different periods.
- Administer final performance in the theater with a film crew.

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## AWARDS AND ACTIVITIES

- AP Scholar Award
- Varsity Letter – Theatre
- President's Volunteer Service Award – Bronze Award
- CETA – Certificate of Merit
- CSUN J-Day Contest LA Times – 2nd Place Feature Photography
- Thespian of the Year
- 3 Portola Pride Awards
- Sign Language Club
- Link Leader
- Equity Group – Student Representative