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Education

BA University of Georgia

August 2016 – May 2020

Linguistics, Digital Humanities Certificate

GPA: 3.77

Major GPA: 3.96

Oxford University – Keble College

September – December 2018

Franklin College of Arts & Sciences Study Abroad

Relevant Coursework

* = current

Linguistics: Phonetics & Phonology, Languages in Contact, Morphology, English Etymology, Typology, Quantitative Methods in Linguistics, Directed Research Studies (Spring 18, Summer 18, Fall 18, Spring 19),

*Senior Thesis, *Generative Syntax, *Text Corpus Analysis

Digital Humanities: Introduction to GIS, Quantitative Methods in Linguistics, *Text Corpus Analysis

Research Methods: Directed Research Studies (Spring 18, Summer 18, Fall 18, Spring 19), *Senior Thesis,

*Experimental Research Methods in Sociology

Honors, Presentations and Awards

CURO Summer Fellowship

2018

Awarded \$3,000 to conduct 300+ hours of independent summer research.

UGA Foundation Incentive Scholarship

2018

Awarded \$1,000 for UGA's Oxford University study abroad.

CURO Research Assistantship

2019

Awarded \$1,000 to engage in a faculty-mentored research course.

CURO Symposium Presentations

2019

Presented on "Communicative Methods and Impact of Learning English in Refugee Communities" and "Analyzing LAMSAS: Charting Regional Dialect in the Middle and South Atlantic."

CURO Symposium Best Paper – Arts, Humanities, Media

2019

Awarded for "Communicative Methods and Impact of Learning English in Refugee Communities."

6th Linguistic Conference at UGA (LCUGA6) Poster Presentation

2019

Presented on "Accent Accommodation in American Students Studying in the UK."

HOPE Scholarship

2016 – 2020

Awarded by the state of Georgia for pursuing an undergraduate degree at UGA.

Research Experience

CURO Research Course, University of Georgia

2018

Advisor: Dr. William Kretzschmar

- Introductory sociolinguistics course with an emphasis on dialect.
- Final paper focused on American and British views on the presence of the Received Pronunciation accent at the University of Oxford.

CURO Summer Fellowship, University of Georgia

2018

Advisor: Dr. William Kretzschmar, Dr. Maria Navarro

- Collected data on communicative methods in refugee communities in the southern United States via field work.
- Focused on English utilization, common English acquisition mistakes, non-verbal communication, code-switching, and the impact of learning English on the community.

Independent Research Course , Oxford University <i>Advisor: Dr. Sandra Kotzor</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Focused on if American exchange students converged or diverged their speech patterns when interacting with British students. – Collected independent phonetic data from American research subjects. – Analyzed stereotypes, cultural differences, and opinions of Americans as well. 	2018
CURO Research Assistantship , University of Georgia <i>Advisor: Dr. William Kretzschmar</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Focused on the impact of region on accent and dialect. – Utilized data in the Linguistic Atlas of the Middle and South Atlantic States (LAMSAS) corpus. 	2019
Senior Thesis , University of Georgia <i>Advisor: Dr. William Kretzschmar, Dr. Margaret Renwick</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Focused on the effect of physiography on speech patterns in the Southern United States through the use of corpora DASS, LAMSAS, and LAGS. – Integrated a quantitative methods capstone that used RStudio and ArcGIS to analyze the distribution of lexical items and vowel formants across the regions interviewed in the corpora. 	2019
Laboratory for the Study of Social Interaction , University of Georgia Undergraduate Research Assistant <i>Lab Director: Dr. Dawn Robinson</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Educated on the best practice and current praxis in experimental human research design before being assigned to a sociology research team to apply these skills in a laboratory setting. 	2019 – 2020
Community Service/Leadership	
Gamma Sigma Sigma , Chi Chapter <i>Member</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – National service sorority with a 20 hour per semester community service requirement. – Recipient of the Serve 100 Service Award. 	2016 – 2019
Refugee Outreach , University of Georgia <i>President, 2019</i> <i>Vice President of Events, 2017 – 2018</i> <i>Vice President of Service, 2019 – 2020</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Campus organization focused on promoting understanding of refugees, educating about ongoing refugee crises, advocating for refugee members of the community, and connecting college students with relevant volunteer opportunities. 	2016 – 2020
Impact Service Breaks , University of Georgia <i>Participant</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Participated in a week-long experiential service learning project in local communities. – Service projects centered around human trafficking and animal welfare. 	2017, 2018
Comer High School Mentoring , Comer Georgia <i>Founder</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Volunteer group affiliated with Refugee Outreach at UGA aiming to connect rural high school refugees with college students. – Focused on educating students on life after high school, college applications, scholarship opportunities, vocational opportunities, and resume building. 	2019

Employment

Linguistic Atlas Project , University of Georgia <i>Transcriber</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Transcribed relevant linguistic data from audio recordings and thoroughly reviewed past transcriptions for any mistakes. 	2017 – 2018
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Partnership for the Advancement and Immersion of Refugees (PAIR) Houston

2019

ExxonMobil Community Summer Jobs Program (CSJP) Intern

- Summer internship focused on creating and executing a summer camp program for middle-school age refugees.
- Integrated students into American culture, taught English, prepared students for academic challenges, and instilled social skills in a fun and welcoming atmosphere.
- Invented and implemented a novel English-learning program for low-level English-speaking students at the camp.

Training & Skills

Computational Skills

Praat, R & RStudio, ArcGIS & QGIS, Unix & Linux, Java, Microsoft Office
Human Research in Social & Behavioral Sciences, CITI Program
Certificate

2018

References

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