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EDUCATION

2017 – Present. Ph.D. Student, History, The University of Texas, Austin
Graduate Portfolio in Mexican American/Latino Studies
Expected Graduate Date: Spring 2022
Dissertation Title: “Drowning in the Alamo City: Fighting for Environmental Justice and Civil Rights in San Antonio, Texas 1950-Present”

2017. M.A., History, University of Texas, San Antonio

2015. B.A., History, University of Texas, San Antonio

ACADEMIC WORK EXPERIENCE

2019 – Present. Graduate Research Assistantship, Texas State Historical Association, *Handbook of Texas*.

As a Research Assistant, I write short biographical and historical entries for the *Handbook of Texas* on a variety of Texas history topics ranging from San Antonio’s first Canary Island settlers to 1960s Civil Rights activists in Dallas-Ft. Worth. I also contribute to an ongoing effort to insert links within each entry in the *Handbook* in order to create more traffic for the website. This entails learning basic HTML and how to navigate the content management program used by the TSHA.

2018 – Present. *ClioVis* Fellow and Program Coordinator, University of Texas, Austin
ClioVis enables users to combine the best features of timelines, mind mapping, and network visualization tools to help users collaborate on projects, better understand and organize their research materials, and present their findings to external audiences. As a Program Coordinator, I oversee and assist various professors and graduate students implementing *ClioVis* in their classrooms across the U.S.

2018. Teaching Assistant, University of Texas, Austin

2016 – 2017. John Nau Teaching Assistantship, University of Texas, San Antonio

2012 – 2015. Peer Tutor in History, Thomas Rivera Center Tutoring Services, University of Texas, San Antonio

ACADEMIC HONORS AND AWARDS

2019. Graduate Student Prize, Western History Association

2019. Neil-Cochran House Museum Summer Stipend Award

2018. South Texas Grant, University of Texas, Austin

2017. Wing Ching Lam Scholarship in History, University of Texas, San Antonio

2015 – 2016. John Nau Graduate Fellowship, University of Texas, San Antonio

2014 – 2015. John Nau Undergraduate Fellowship, University of Texas, San Antonio

CONFERENCE PANELS ORGANIZED

2020. “Demanding a Better City: Latinx Activism, Urban Development, and Environmental Justice in Texas. Urban History Association Conference, “Contested Cities,” Detroit Michigan. October 8-11.

2019. “Decolonizing Intellectual Space and Knowledge Production,” 2019 Sequels Symposium “Fugitive Futures: Graduate Students of Color Un-Settling the University,” University of Texas, Austin. March 1-2.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2018. “From the Chicano Movement to C.O.P.S.: Transformations in Community Organization Post-Movimiento,” Holding Up The Mirror: Commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the 1968 U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, San Antonio, Texas, November 15-17.

2018. “Justice for the Genté: Communities Organized for Public Service and the Confrontational Approach to Changing Political and Physical Landscapes,” Western Historical Association Conference, San Antonio, Texas, October 17-20.

2017. “Buena Genté: Grassroots politics in the urban barrios of San Antonio, 1970-1995,” COLFA Spring Research Conference, University of Texas San Antonio, April.

PUBLICATIONS

2019. “Remembering the Tex-Son Strike: Legacies of Latina-led Labor Activism in San Antonio, Texas,” Not Even Past. <https://notevenpast.org/texsonstrike/>.

2019. Review of *Spaces of Conflict and Sounds of Solidarity: Music, Race, and Spatial Entitlement in Los Angeles* by Gaye Theresa Johnson in *E3W Review of Books: Decolonizing the Production of Knowledge* 19 (Spring 2019), pp. 60-62.

2019. Review of *City in a Garden: Environmental Transformations and Racial Justice in Twentieth-Century Austin, Texas* by Andrew M. Busch. Not Even Past. <https://notevenpast.org/city-in-a-garden-environmental-transformations-and-racial-justice-in-twentieth-century-austin-texas-by-andrew-m-busch-2017/>.

2019. Review of *Dreaming with the Ancestors: Black Seminole Women in Texas* by Shirley Botler-Mock. Not Even Past. <https://notevenpast.org/dreaming-with->

[the-ancestors-black-seminole-women-in-texas-and-mexico-by-shirley-boteler-mock-2010/](http://www.tshaonline.org/handbook/online/articles/fje20).

2019. Handbook of Texas Online, Micaela R. Valadez, "JENKINS, DANIEL THOMAS [DAN] ," <http://www.tshaonline.org/handbook/online/articles/fje20>.

2019. Handbook of Texas Online, Micaela Valadez, "ROSE, HOWARD VANCE, JR. ," <http://www.tshaonline.org/handbook/online/articles/frose>.

2019. Handbook of Texas Online, Micaela Valadez, "WOOD, MARTHA EVANS GINDRAT ," <http://www.tshaonline.org/handbook/online/articles/fwo64>.

DEPARTMENTAL/UNIVERSITY SERVICE

2019. Job Search Committee, Graduate Student Representative
Texas/U.S. Mexico Borderlands Search, University of Texas at Austin

2019. History Graduate Student Council Member
U.S. History Area Representative, University of Texas at Austin

COMMUNITY SERVICE

2019. Underpaid @ UT (Organizing for graduate student living wages at UT)
Organizing Committee Member

2014 – 2016. Esperanza Peace and Justice Center, San Antonio, Texas
Fundraising and Events Paid Intern and Volunteer

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Historical Association (AHA)

Western History Association (WHA)

Urban History Association (UHA)