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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO

Masters of Anthropology in **Department of Anthropology**

Doctor of Philosophy in Anthropology in **Department of Anthropology**

Albuquerque, NM

Expected Graduation Date: May 2030

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS

Bachelor of Anthropology in **Department of Anthropology**

Certificate in Social Justice Studies in **Department of Anthropology**

GPA: 3.92, Denton, TX

Graduation: May 2023

HONORS & AWARDS

Transfer Excellence Scholarship

President's List

TEXAS CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY

Bachelor of Anthropology and Sociology in **Department of Anthropology and Sociology**

Minor in Spanish in the **Department of Spanish and Hispanic Studies**

GPA: 3.86, Fort Worth, TX

Transferred in 2022

HONORS & AWARDS

Dean's Scholarship

Dean's List

Member of the John V. Roach Honors College

RESEARCH OBJECTIVE

PhD Student with a focus on queer theory and religious anthropology. Academic focus on how US nation-state ideology impacts religious practices and produces inequality; research conducted on how queer Christians navigate the intersectionality of their identity. Additional interests revolve around Religious Hegemony, Capitalism, Critical Theory, Globalization, and Identity Formation.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of North Texas - North Texas Athletics

September 2022 – July 2023

Academic Tutor

Denton, TX

- Tutoring student athletes in a variety of subjects including English, Anthropology, Sociology, and History and aiding in the conceptualization of high-level academic concepts.
- Assisting in the composition of multiple essays by brainstorming and proofreading and preparing for exams with students by reviewing course content.
- Forming schedules and helping student athletes manage their work and practice, as well as creating a non-judgmental space for students to ask questions about their coursework.

Dr. Katherine Fox - Texas Christian University/Southern Oregon University

January 2022 – July 2023

Research Assistant

Remote

- Compiling studies concerning LGBTQ+ Latinx Immigrants and creating multiple bibliographies regarding the work of Dr. Katherine Fox.
 - Synthesizing research in the form of writings over the multifaceted nature of identity as an LGBTQ+ Latinx immigrant.
 - Assessing the state of current political movements as it relates to Latinx communities in the USA and abroad.
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PRESENTATIONS AND RESEARCH

Kruger, T (2023, May), “Navigating Spaces of Power: LGBTQ+ Christians in Texas” SAR Conference, Paper Accepted

Kruger, T. (2023, April). “Navigating Spaces of Power: LGBTQ+ Christians in Texas” URF Presentation, UNT Scholar’s Day, Denton, TX.

FELLOWSHIPS

University of North Texas – Department of Anthropology

August 2022 – Present

UNT Undergraduate Research Fellowship

Denton, TX

- Consulting Dr. Carrington and other URF recipients twice a month on progress of academic readings and proposed research design.
- Developing a formal literature review over the intersection of queer and evangelical using economic understandings of heteronormativity, postmodernism, and identity formation.
- Preparing for a formal ethnographic study of those who integrate queer and Christian identity using both queer rhetorical analysis and direct participant observation.

ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS

- American Anthropological Association (AAA)
- Association for Queer Anthropology (AQA)
- Society for the Anthropology of Work (SAW)
- Society for Linguistic Anthropology (SLA)
- Society for Anthropological Sciences (SAS)
- Society for the Anthropology of Religion (SAR)
- UNT Lambda Alpha National Anthropology Honors Society

LANGUAGES

English: Fluent | Spanish: Intermediate

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES

Activate – Fellowship Operations

July 2023 – Present

Fellowship Selection Intern

Remote

- Implementing a robust application tracking system to assist in scalability and automation of Activate’s fellowship program to connect researchers with appropriate funding.
- Compiling Activate’s external reviewer database to perform quantitative analysis on user experience in the application and selection process.
- Directly managing applicant inquiries and feedback to optimize the selection process and virtually collaborating with a nationally focused team.

REFERENCES

Jara Carrington, Senior Lecturer of Anthropology, Director of Undergraduate Programs University of North Texas (940) 565-6980, jara.carrington@unt.edu

Ron Palomares, Assoc. Professor of Psychology Texas Women’s University (940) 898-2333, rpalomares@twu.edu

Katherine Fox, Assistant Professor of Anthropology and Healthcare Administration Southern Oregon University (541) 552-6322, foxk@sou.edu

Miguel Leatham, Senior Instructor of Anthropology Texas Christian University (817) 555-5398, m.leatham@tcu.edu