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## Education

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### **University of Pittsburgh**

Doctor of Philosophy, History | expected graduation 2025  
Arts & Sciences Graduate Fellow

### **East Carolina University**

Master of Arts, Maritime History & Nautical Archaeology | 2016  
Thesis: *The False Dichotomy: Jamaican Maroons as Resistance Fighters and Colonial Enforcers*

### **Southeastern Oklahoma State University**

Bachelor of Arts | 2014  
Major in History; Minor in Spanish; Honors Program Graduate  
Study Abroad: Swansea University, Swansea, Wales, U.K., Spring 2013

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## Professional & Academic Positions

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### **University of Pittsburgh**

*Graduate Fellow* | August 2019 - Present

### **Southeastern Oklahoma State University**

*Honors Program Coordinator* | July 2017 - June 2019

Responsibilities Include:

- Teach two sections of ORIE 1002: Honors Orientation each Fall
- Advise incoming and continuing students before transitioning into their major
- Lead Study Abroad trip to Spain over Spring Break 2019
- Teach HUM 4981: Study Abroad Seminar | Spring 2019
- Continued all previous duties listed under "Program Assistant"

*Honors Program Assistant* | July 2016 - July 2017

Responsibilities Included:

- Developed and executed recruitment strategies
- Oversaw production of promotional materials and social media presence
- Coordinated scholarships and managed day-to-day operations of the Program

*Honors Student Worker* | June 2011 - May 2014

Responsibilities Included:

- Planned and facilitated student activities
- Managed social media presence and assisted with recruitment efforts
- Managed physical and digital student data

### **East Carolina University**

*Graduate Research and Teaching Assistant* | Aug. 2014 - May 2016

Responsibilities Included:

- Taught seminar courses
- Led discussions of primary source documents and relevant texts
- Graded student assignments and tutored students in content and writing as needed

### **Savannah-Ogeechee Canal Museum and Nature Center**

*Conservator/Independent Contractor* | Dec. 2015

Responsibilities Included:

- Cleaned and documented pre-Columbian Native American dugout canoe
- Examined and altered storage space of artifact
- Made recommendations about storage area and continued conservation of artifact

### **Duke University: Talent Identification Program**

#### **Summer Studies**

*Instructor for By Fire, By Combat, By Jury: A History of Guilt* | June 2015

Responsibilities Included:

- Designed a three-week, interactive curriculum
- Created lesson plans for daily lectures and activities
- Supervised Teaching Assistant

### **eInvestigators**

*Maritime Archaeology Content Consultant* | Oct. 2016 - Dec. 2016

Responsibilities Included:

- Developed content and skill objectives for four-week interactive story
- Created mock artifacts and objects
- Reviewed course content for accuracy and authenticity

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## **Publications, Conference Presentations & Workshops**

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### **Journals**

Morgan Pierce, Review of *The Voyage of Thought: Navigating Knowledge Across the Sixteenth-century World*, by Michael Winthroub, *Terrae Incognitae*, forthcoming 2019

### **National Collegiate Honors Council | 2018**

Workshop Co-Facilitator: *Improv(e) your) Advising: Adding New Techniques to Your Advising Toolkit*

Workshop Co-Facilitator: *Building Across Boundaries: Constructing a Transdisciplinary Honors Curriculum*

Panelist for Professional Staff in Honors session: *Entering Honors*

### **National Collegiate Honors Council | 2017**

Panelist for Developing in Honors session: *Creative Approaches to Honors Contracts*

**National Society for the Minorities in Honors | 2018**

Roundtable Co-Facilitator: *Retaining First Generation Students: Challenges and Actions*

Panel Moderator: *Inclusive Discourse and Action in Honors Communities*

**Medievalist and Early Modernists of North Texas and Oklahoma | 2018**

Panel Moderator: *Contentious Correspondences*

**Medievalist and Early Modernists of North Texas and Oklahoma | 2017**

Panel Moderator: *Bruised, Beaten, Bold*

**Grad School 101 at Southeastern | 2017 & 2018**

Workshop Facilitator: *What is "Grad School" and What Do You Need to Know About It?*

Workshop Facilitator: *How to Succeed on the GRE*

**SE Speaks | 2017 & 2018**

Workshop Facilitator: *How to Speak Effectively About Southeastern and Your Program*

**Atlantic World Brown Bag Luncheon at East Carolina University | 2016**

Presenter: "'A Savage State of Freedom': The Jamaican Maroons and Their Fight for Independence"

**Phi Alpha Theta - National Biennial | 2016**

Presenter: "The Organization of Maroon Communities throughout the Atlantic World"

**Phi Alpha Theta - Carolinas Regional History Conference | 2015**

Presenter: "Collusion in the Caribbean: Drake's Infamous Raid on the Isthmus of Panama"

**Phi Alpha Theta - West Texas Regional History Conference | 2014**

Presenter: "David Williams: Restoring a Natural Government"

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## Awards & Honors

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**Graduate:**

*University of Pittsburgh*

Arts & Sciences Graduate Fellow | 2019-2020

*East Carolina University*

R.N. Lokken Memorial Scholarship in Early American History | 2015-2016

Nels A. Cleven Award for Phi Alpha Theta Chapter of the Year | 2014-2015

**Professional:**

- Southeastern Extra Degree Award Recipient for dedication and service | March 2018
- Nominee for Southeastern Staff Association Award for Service to Students | 2018
- Nominee for Southeastern Staff Association Award for Storm Rookie of the Year | 2018
- Nominee for Southeastern Staff Association Award for Member of the Year | 2018

**Undergraduate:**

- Regional University Baccalaureate Scholar | 2010-2014

- Brad Henry International Scholar | 2012-2013
- Sigma Delta Pi National Spanish Honors Society Member | 2013
- Dr. Elbert R. and Marion M. Hill Outstanding Sophomore Award | 2011

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## Leadership & Service

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### Doctoral Study:

*Dietrich School of Arts & Sciences Graduate Council*

Student Representative | 2019-Present

*Faculty Affairs Committee*

Student Representative | 2019-Present

*Provost's Award for Excellence in Mentoring Committee*

Student Representative | 2019-Present

### Professional:

*Honors Advisory Council*

Staff Advisor | 2016-2019

*Southeastern Staff Association*

President | 2018-2019

Vice President | 2017-2018

*Southeastern Study Abroad*

Primary Group Leader for *Spain: Land of Many Cultures* | March 2019

Sponsor for *Italy: Florence, Rome, & Sorrento* | March 2018

*Durant Chamber of Commerce*

Leadership Durant Participant | 2018

### Master's Study:

*Phi Alpha Theta National History Honor Society, Lambda-Eta Chapter*

Vice President | 2015

*African Art Conservation Project*

Student Conservator | 2016

*Queen Anne's Revenge Conservation Laboratory*

Volunteer | 2014-2016

*National History Day*

Volunteer | 2015 & 2016

### Undergraduate:

*Student Government Association*

Senator | 2011-2012

Homecoming Committee Chair | 2012

Civic Engagement and Publicity Committee Chair | 2011-2012

Chief Justice | 2013-2014

*Honors Advisory Council*

President | 2013-2014

Homecoming Queen Nominee | 2014

*Honors Faculty Committee*

Student Representative | 2013-2014