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EDUCATION

University of South Carolina at Columbia

2020-Present M.A./Ph.D.: Cultural Anthropology
Adviser: Courtney Lewis, Ph.D.

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

2020 B.A. with Distinction: Anthropology (with Highest Honors) and American Indian and Indigenous Studies; Minor in History
Honors Thesis: *Navigating Modern Indigeneity: Cultural Exchanges between Urban Indian Centers and Tribal Communities in North Carolina*
Adviser: Valerie Lambert, Ph.D.

HONORS AND AWARDS

External

2020 Honorable Mention, Ford Foundation Predoctoral Fellowship

University of South Carolina at Columbia

2020 Grace Jordan McFadden Professors Program Scholar

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

2020 Highest Honors, Undergraduate Thesis in Anthropology
2018-2019 Dean's List
2018 Health Careers and Research Pipeline Initiative for Males Scholar
2018 Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program Scholar
2017-2019 Hayden B. Renwick Academic Achievement Award
2017 Carolina Mxle Scholar Ambassador
2016-2020 Carolina Covenant Scholar

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Senior Student Ambassador, American Indian Center, UNC-Chapel Hill, *August 2019-May 2020*

- Coordinate presentations on NC Natives Nations for schools and organizations within Orange County
- Facilitate meetings and trainings for Ambassadors on Center programs and initiatives
- Publish stories on Center's website to highlight student success

Lab Assistant, Research Labs of Archaeology, UNC-Chapel Hill, *August 2018-May 2019*

- Cleaned and catalogued artifacts excavated from various field sites in the Southeastern United States
- Compiled digital database of journals from researchers and students

Research Intern, Southern Oral History Program, UNC-Chapel Hill, *January 2018-May 2018*

- Worked with professional staff to develop workshops based on training campus and community partners on conducting oral history projects
- Managed oral history databases and playlists
- Published written materials for the program's blog

Research Ambassador, American Indian Center, UNC-Chapel Hill, *August 2016-May 2018*

- Collected data, both qualitative and quantitative, that was used to reflect on past events and enhance future events
- Analyzed the Environmental Impact Study for the Atlantic Coast Pipeline and prepared a summary used by the Native Nations affected by its construction
- Aided in search process for new Director

CONFERENCES

- 2020 Hite, Blake. “Navigating Modern Indigeneity: Cultural Exchanges within and beyond North Carolina.” 16th Annual Southeastern Indian Studies Conference, Oral Presentation, University of North Carolina at Pembroke, Pembroke, North Carolina, *Cancelled due to COVID-19 Outbreak*.
- 2019 Hite, Blake. “Navigating Modern Indigeneity: Cultural Exchanges between Urban Indian Centers and Tribal Communities.” 6th Annual McNair Scholars Research Conference, Oral Presentation, International University, Miami, Florida.
- 2018 Hite, Blake, Lily Lou, Emma Miller, Kimberly Oliver, Mina Yakubu. “American Indian Activism at UNC-Chapel Hill.” Oral History Association Conference, Poster Presentation, Concordia University, Montreal, Quebec.

SYMPOSIA

- 2019 Hite, Blake. “Navigating Modern Indigeneity: Cultural Exchanges between Urban Indian Centers and Tribal Communities.” 5th Annual Summer Undergraduate Pipeline Research Symposium, Oral Presentation, UNC-Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, North Carolina.
- 2019 Hite, Blake, Richard Fernandez, Kolby Hunter, Jamison Lowery. “Start Strong Summer Transition Program”. Young Men of Color Symposium, Oral Presentation, Park School of Baltimore, Baltimore, Maryland.
- 2019 Participant, 3rd Annual Cherokee Language Symposium, Cherokee, North Carolina

EXHIBITIONS

- 2019 Lumbee History Exhibit (1970-1989): AMST 234: Tribal Studies, Wilson Library, UNC-Chapel Hill, *May-August 2019*

TEACHING AND MENTORSHIP

University of South Carolina at Columbia

Teaching Assistant, Department of Anthropology, *August 2020-Present*

- ANTH 102: Understanding other Cultures

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Research Instructor, Upward Bound Program, *June-July 2019*

- Mentored high school seniors in developing unique research project which won first place at the Upward Bound Research Symposium
- Lead mini-lectures on different aspects of research

Mentor/Residential Adviser, Start Strong, *June 2017, 2019*

- Facilitated the pilot program for incoming men of color so they could adjust to college life early
- Ensured safety of participants while they were on campus

- Co-developed training program for new staff members
- Clan Leader, Carolina Horizons, *June 2017, 2018, 2019*
- Lead Native American high school students during their stay at UNC
 - Facilitated college essay writing workshops and discussion circles
- Native Orientation Leader, New Student Orientation, American Indian Center, *September 2018*
- Facilitated college transition for incoming American Indian students at UNC-Chapel Hill
 - Ensured safe transportation of students from campus to Coharie Indian Tribal grounds in Clinton, NC
- Counselor, Summer Bridge, *June-July 2018*
- Served as Residential Advisor for incoming first year students at UNC-Chapel Hill
 - Facilitated extracurricular and educational activities
- Community Counselor, UNC Project Uplift, *May-June 2018*
- Worked with rising High School Seniors when they stay on campus
 - Facilitated activities to educate students about college
 - Recognized as counselor of the week due to exceptional engagement with program participants
- Legacy Leader, Achieving Carolina Excellence (ACE), *August 2017*
- Facilitated workshops that educated incoming students on American Indian resources on campus
 - Guided students to workshops/presentations about college life

SERVICE

- Native Student Representative, Men of Color Panel, UNC-Chapel Hill Admission Directors Training, *Fall 2019*
- Served on panel to educate new and returning Assistant Directors on lived experience of men of color, specifically Native men, on applying to UNC
- Native Undergraduate Student Representative, Provost Discussion on American Indian Center and Research, UNC-Chapel Hill, *Fall 2018*
- Worked with campus leaders in developing new mission for the American Indian Center and American Indian outreach state and nation wide
- Panelist, Carolina College Advising Corps, *June 2018*
- Facilitated training for college advisors on American Indians
- UNC-Chapel Hill Representative, Tar Heel Target, *Fall 2017*
- Spoke to students at Purnell Swett High School about UNC and the college application process
- UNC-Chapel Hill Student Representative, University Network of Native Leaders (UNNL), *Fall 2017*
- Attended culturally tailored leadership trainings provided by the American Indian Center
 - Networked with Native American students from other state universities in North Carolina

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

- Lead Tour Guide, Native Narrative Tour, American Indian Center, Chapel Hill, NC, *August 2016-May 2020*
- Facilitate tour with over two hundred past participants on the American Indian history and impact at UNC-Chapel Hill
 - Modified tour based on oral histories of current and past Native students
- Presenter, Native American Family Weekend, Nasher Museum, Duke University, Durham, NC, *October 2019*
- Presented to over three hundred people about Southeastern peoples and lifeways as part of Native Voices exhibit
- Multicultural Festival, Tyron Palace, New Bern, NC, *July 2019*
- Presented to over eight hundred attendees at the inaugural event about North Carolina's Indigenous people
- Cultural Festival, Native American Village, Lexington, NC, *April 2019*
- Engaged with over one hundred people on American Indian history, art and plants

Native American Heritage Month Celebration, Chatham County Library, Pittsboro, NC, *November 2018*

- Engaged with young children and adults on American Indian history, culture, and lifeways

Fall Moon Festival, UNC-Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC, *October 2018*

- Educated attendees about traditional Native herbs and medicines within North Carolina

Near and Far Festival, Chapel Hill, NC, *April 2018*

- Presented information about American Indians at the inaugural event

Global Youth Service Day, Scroggs Elementary, Chapel Hill, NC, *April 2018*

- Educated Scroggs elementary kids on traditional American Indian stories

Cultural Performance, Tyron Palace, *January 2018*

- Assisted cultural educator Ryan Dial-Stanley with performance on Lumbee history

GRANTS AND ASSISTANTSHIPS

University of South Carolina at Columbia

2020 Graduate Teaching Assistantship

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

2018 American Indian Center Travel Grant

2018 Center for the Study of the American South Travel Grant

2018 Southern Oral History Program Travel Grant

LEADERSHIP/ORGANIZATIONS

Secretary | Phi Sigma Nu Fraternity, Inc. *2017-2020*

Vice President | Phi Sigma Nu Fraternity, Inc. *August 2019-November 2019*

Historian | Phi Sigma Nu Fraternity, Inc. *2018-2019*

Secretary | Carolina Indian Circle *2018-2020*

Historian | Carolina Indian Circle *2017-2018*

Member | Society of Undergraduate Anthropologists *2018-2020*

SKILLS

Ethnography; Oral history; Interviews; Archival navigation; Mentoring; Social media; Program coordination; Data analysis; Presentation; Event planning; Exhibit organization; Qualitative methodologies

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, Hindenburg, Atlas.Ti

LANGUAGES

English (Native), Brazilian Portuguese (Intermediate), Cherokee (Beginner)