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EDUCATION

BA in History, Summa Cum Laude, May 2023

University of Colorado, Boulder, Boulder, CO

Honors Thesis: “‘Now Designed to the Worst’: English Captive Labor and Perceptions of Slavery in the Interregnum”

Advisor: Professor Dianne Mitchell, Dept of English

Minor in Geology, May 2023

University of Colorado Boulder

Learning Assistant Program, Dec 2021

University of Colorado Boulder, CU Boulder School of Education

Completed Class “Becoming a Learning Assistant”, where I was instructed in current pedagogical strategies and given routine feedback on my teaching.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Learning Assistant, Jan 2022-May 2022

Historical Thinking and Writing, History Dept, CU Boulder

- Helped students navigate research databases provided by the University.
- Helped students develop historical questions to drive their research projects
- Led group critique of student research projects
- Edited student papers and met with students one-on-one to ensure students were on track to complete their independent research projects by the end of the semester.

Learning Assistant, Aug 2021- Dec 2021

European History to 1600, History Dept, CU Boulder

- Met with students one-on-one in office hours in order to give feedback and hold reading discussion in an otherwise asynchronous class.
- Responded to student posts in discussion boards to provide feedback on citation, to provide historical context, and to guide students to consider thematic questions.
- Reached out to and provided additional help to students struggling with workload and assignments.

Course Assistant, Aug 2020- Dec 2020

The Social Effects of Technology, Freshman Seminar, CU Boulder

- Met with freshmen students one-on-one to build plans for success and prepare them for college-level academic work.

- Organized and monitored group work, including Reacting to the Past (RTTP) roleplaying pedagogy.
 - Edited student papers.
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RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant, Sept 2022-April 2023

Digital Slavery Research Lab, CU Boulder

- Assistant to Professor Henry Lovejoy, sourcing and building a research database for abolition legislation, now published on the Liberated Africans website here: [x](#)
 - Found and uploaded PDF versions of European abolition legislation to the database.
 - Cleaned data and checked legislation labels/tags for accuracy.
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HONORS AND AWARDS

Honors Thesis Award, May 2023

University of Colorado, Boulder, History Department

Dean's List, Spring 2021-Spring 2023

University of Colorado, Boulder

Arts and Humanities Gold Scholarship, Fall 2019-Spring 2023

University of Colorado, Boulder, College of Arts and Sciences

Academic Merit Scholarship