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EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy, International Studies

University of Washington, Seattle, WA – Expected June 2020

- Candidacy achieved June 2017, with distinction.
- Graduate Certificate: Comparative Law and Society Studies – Expected June 2020
- Concentration: Peace, Violence, and Security; Law, Rights, and Governance; Latin America
- Qualitative (QUAL) Research Methods concentration earned Spring 2017
- Research Title: “Resisting Erasure: Narratives of Survivance in Guatemala”

Professional Development Certificate

Rotary Peace Center, Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok, Thailand – August 2014

- Professional Development Certificate (6 graduate credits) in Peace and Conflict Resolution
- Research Focus: International advocacy in land conflict in Guatemala

Master of Arts, International Affairs, Comparative and Regional Studies: The Americas

American University, Washington, D.C. – December 2009

- Concentration: Latin America; Peace and Conflict Resolution
- Research Title: “The Perfect Storm: Impunity and Femicide in Guatemala”

Bachelor of Arts, International Relations and Bachelor of Arts, Spanish Studies, cum laude

American University, Washington, D.C. – May 2008

- Concentration: Latin America; Human Rights
- Study abroad and internship program at Universidad Diego Portales, Santiago, Chile, fall 2006

RESEARCH APPOINTMENTS

University of Washington Center for Human Rights, Seattle, WA

Research Fellow (7/2015 – present)

American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of Washington, Seattle, WA

Research Intern, Smart Justice Campaign (6/2019 – 10/2019)

National Security Archive at George Washington University, Washington, D.C.

Research Associate/Project Coordinator, Genocide Documentation Project (1/2013 – 9/2015)

Research Associate, Evidence Project (10/2009 – 12/2012)

UNIVERSITY TEACHING

- **International Justice on Trial (LSJ 491)**, Instructor (developed course and syllabus, sole instructor)
Autumn 2018 & 2019, *University of Washington, Seattle, WA*
- **Human Rights in Latin America (LSJ 322/JSIS 324)**, Instructor (developed syllabus, sole instructor)
Summer 2019, *University of Washington, Seattle, WA*
- **Immigration and Latin American Politics**, Guest Lecturer
Autumn 2018 – Spring 2019, *Seattle University, Seattle, WA*
- **Human Rights in Latin America (LSJ 322/JSIS 324)**, Teaching Assistant
Winter 2016-2020, *University of Washington, Seattle, WA*
- **Latin America Thought and Culture**, Guest Lecturer
2015-2016, 2018, *Pierce College, Tacoma, WA*

PEER REVIEW PUBLICATIONS

“New Documents Shed Light: Why Did Peacekeepers Withdraw during Rwanda’s 1994 Genocide?” *Genocide Studies and Prevention: An International Journal* 12, no. 3 (2018).

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- “Book Review: ‘The Other Slavery: The Uncovered Story of Indian Enslavement in America.’” *Genocide Studies and Prevention: An International Journal* 12, no. 3 (2018).
- “Maya Mam Community Celebrates 20th Anniversary of their Return to Guatemala.” *International Cry Magazine*, August 24, 2018 (also available in Spanish, translated by author).
- “How do we Decolonize Research?” *Sectors: Newsletter of the American Sociological Association’s Sociology of Development Section* 3, no. 2, Autumn 2016
- “Road to Dayton Paved with Genocide.” *The National Security Archive, Briefing Book no. 535*, November 23, 2015. Co-edited with Tom Blanton.
- “Srebrenica Conference Documents Detail Path to Genocide from 1993 to 1995.” *The National Security Archive Briefing Book, no. 519*, July 1, 2015. Co-edited with Tom Blanton.
- “Rwanda Pullout Driven by Clinton White House, U.N. Equivocation.” *The National Security Archive, Briefing Book, no. 511*, April 16, 2015. Co-edited with Tom Blanton.
- “Key Diplomat’s Personal Notebook Sheds Light on Inner-Workings of US Government Response to Genocide Unfolding in Rwanda in 1994.” *The National Security Archive, Briefing Book no. 500*, January 30, 2015.
- “Rwanda: The Failure of the Arusha Accords.” *The National Security Archive, Briefing Book no. 469*, May 21, 2014.
- “Sitreps Reveal Rwanda’s Descent into Genocide in 1994.” *The National Security Archive, Briefing Book no. 466*, April 7, 2014. Co-edited with Jake Freyer
- “The Rwanda Sitreps: Daily Pleas to New York Detail How International Failure Left Peacekeepers Ill-Equipped to Respond to Rising Violence in January 1994.” *The National Security Archive, Briefing Book no. 455*, February 3, 2014.
- “Forced Disappearance in the Dominican Republic.” *The National Security Archive, Briefing Book no. 429*, May 23, 2013
- Mexico-United States Counternarcotics Policy, 1969-2013*, Digital National Security Archive database, Chadwyck-Healey, (2013), contributor.
- “The Perfect Storm: Impunity and Violence against Women in Guatemala.” *The Peace & Conflict Monitor*, April 1, 2012.
- “Learn from History”, 31st Anniversary of the Assassination of Archbishop Oscar Romero.” *The National Security Archive, Briefing Book no. 339*, March 23, 2011. Co-edited with Kate Doyle
- “27 Years Later, Justice for Fernando García.” *The National Security Archive, Briefing Book no. 337*, February 18, 2011. Co-edited with Kate Doyle
- “Violence against Women in Guatemala.” *First Light*. Canadian Centre for Victims of Torture, Winter 2010.
- Colombia and the United States: Political Violence, Narcotics, and Human Rights, 1948-2010*, Digital National Security Archive database, Chadwyck-Healey, (2010), contributor
- Published nearly 40 blog posts on the National Security Archive’s blog, “Unredacted.”
<https://nsarchive.wordpress.com/author/ewillard/>

CONFERENCES and PRESENTATIONS

- “Resisting Erasure: Narratives of Survivance in Guatemala,” *Ethnicity, Race, and Indigenous Peoples-LASA* conference, Gonzaga University, Spokane, WA, September 2019, presenter.
- “How to File Freedom of Information Act Requests,” *University of Washington Center for Human Rights*, Seattle, WA, May 2019, workshop organizer and presenter.
- “Students Produce Knowledge: Citing Personal Experience & Interviews in Undergraduate Research,” *Anti-Racist Pedagogy: Visions and Practice for Institutional Change, University of Washington Praxis Conference 2019*, Seattle, WA, February 2019, presenter.

- “Immigration ‘Push Factors’: Narratives of Conflict in Guatemala,” Seattle University, Seattle, WA, December 2018, guest lecture.
- Collaborative Research in the Social Sciences: Lessons Learned from Field Work in Guatemala,” *QUAL Speaker Series*, University of Washington, Seattle, February 21, 2018, speaker.
- “How Community Archives Can Stall the Genocidal Project of Erasure,” Present Past: Time, Memory, and the Negotiation of Historical Justice, *Historical Justice and Memory Network* annual conference, Columbia University, New York, December 2017, presenter.
- “Roundtable: The Multiple Dimensions of Silence in Latin American Narratives of the Past,” Present Past: Time, Memory, and the Negotiation of Historical Justice, *Historical Justice and Memory Network*, annual conference, Columbia University, New York, December 2017, moderator and co-organizer.
- “Decolonizing Archives: Government and Community Records,” *Seminar on the Acquisition of Latin American Library Materials (SALALM)* annual conference, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, May 2017, presenter
- “Access to Information as a Human Right.” *World Issues Forum*, Western Washington University: Bellingham, Washington, October 26, 2016, speaker.
- “Challenging Perspectives: Indigenous Studies in the Social Sciences.” *Native Organization of Indigenous Scholars Annual Symposium*, University of Washington: Seattle, May 27, 2016, presenter.
- “International Decision-Making in the Age of Genocide: Bosnia 1993-1995.” *The Hague Institute for Justice, U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum, and The National Security Archive*, The Hague, The Netherlands, June 28 to July 1, 2015, co-founder and organizer.
- “International Decision-Making in the Age of Genocide: Rwanda 1990-1994.” *The Hague Institute for Justice, U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum, and The National Security Archive*, The Hague, The Netherlands, June 1-4, 2014, co-founder and organizer.
- “Rwanda Genocide Anniversary.” *Levitt Leadership Speaker Series*, Hamilton College: Clinton, New York, April 2, 2014, with Ambassador Prudence Bushnell, speaker.
- “The Right to Information and the Preservation of Historical Memory.” *Historical Justice and Memory: Questions of Rights and Accountability in Contemporary Society*, Annual Conference, *Alliance for Historical Dialogue and Accountability*, Columbia University, New York, December 2013, presenter.
- “Using Declassified Documents to Understand Mass Atrocity: Guatemala and Rwanda.” *The International Association of Genocide Scholars 10th Biennial Conference*, Sienna, Italy, June 2013, presenter.
- “Access to Information as a Human Right.” *The Latin American Studies Association Annual Conference*, Washington, D.C., May 29-June 1, 2013, presenter.
- “Encuentro Evidencia.” *The National Security Archive*, Lima, Peru, September 18-21, 2011, co-founder and organizer.
- “Original Clay Sculpture: Guatemala Indigenous Women’s Bodies as the Battlefield.” *Remembering War, Genocide and Other Human Rights Violations: Oral History, New Media, and the Arts*, Concordia University, Montreal, Canada, November 2009, presenter.

FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

- 2019 JSIS Diversity & Equity Research Travel Grant, UW
- 2018 JSIS Leslianne Shedd Internship Scholarship in International Studies and Public Health, UW
- 2018 JSIS Jackson-Fosdick Internship Scholarship, UW
- 2018 Benjamin Linder Endowed Fund, University of Washington Center for Human Rights
- 2018 Dr. Clyde Snow Fund for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, UW
- 2017 Dr. Clyde Snow Fund for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, UW
- 2016-2017 Chester Fritz Fellowship for International Research and Study, UW
- 2016 Mack-Mayerfeld Fellowship, University of Washington Center for Human Rights
- 2016 Jennifer Caldwell Fellowship, University of Washington Center for Human Rights
- 2014 Rotary Peace Fellowship, Rotary International Foundation
- 2009 School of International Service Graduate Studies Grant Award, American University

AWARDS

- 2009 “People’s Choice Award” for service to the community, American University
- 2008 GLBTA Resource Center “Bridge Builders Award,” American University
- 2004 Girl Scout Gold Award, Annapolis, Maryland
- 2002 Girl Scout Silver Award, Annapolis, Maryland

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

- *The Seminar on the Acquisition of Latin American Library Material (SALALM)* 2017 to present
- *Peace and Collaborative Development Network (PCDN)* 2011 to present
- *Alliance for Historical Dialogue and Accountability (AHDA)* 2013 to present
- *Latin American Studies Association (LASA)* 2011 to 2014, 2018 to 2020
- *International Association of Genocide Scholars (IAGS)* 2013 to 2014

LANGUAGE

- *English* (native): reading, writing, speaking
- *Spanish* (fluent): reading, writing, speaking
- *Maya K’iche’* (beginner): reading, writing, speaking

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- **Disability Resources for Students (DRS)**, University of Washington, Seattle, WA
Exam Proctor (2017 – Present)
- **Guatemala Human Rights Commission-USA**, Washington, DC
Vice-President of the Board of Directors (9/2012 – 3/2016); *Volunteer*: (6/2008 – 3/2016); *Intern*: (5/2009-8/2009)
- **Martha Ross Center for Oral History**, Baltimore, MD, *Technology/Interview Assistant* (6/2004 – 4/2009)
- **Community Bridges, Silver Spring, MD**, *Program Assistant Intern* (1/2009 – 5/2009)
- **GLBTA Resource Center, American University**, Washington, DC, *Program Coordinator* (1/2007 – 12/2008)
- **Washington Office on Latin America**, Washington, DC, *Intern*, (5/2007 – 8/2007)
- **Vicarias de Pastoral Social y de los Trabajadores**, Santiago, Chile, *Intern*, (9/2006 – 12/2006)

CIVIC INVOLVEMENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

UAW 4121 Labor Union, *Departmental Steward*, University of Washington (2018 – Present)

Latin American and Caribbean Student Association – Graduate Chapter, *executive board member*
Jackson School of International Studies, University of Washington (2018 – Present)

Student Representative JSIS 2015 PhD Cohort, Jackson School of International Studies, University of Washington (2016 – 2019)

Washington State History Day, Seattle, Washington, *Volunteer judge*, (2019)

Maryland Humanities Council, Baltimore, MD, *Volunteer editor/reviewer and mentor* for **History Day Competition**, Maryland and for Anne Arundel County, MD, (2012 – 2015)

National History Day, College Park, MD, *volunteer reviewer and judge*
(June 2012 – 2014)

CARECEN Central American Resource Center, Washington, D.C., *Volunteer teacher and tutor*
(September - December 2007)