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## EDUCATION

Ph.D. Geography University of Kansas: *2021-Present*  
M.A. Geography University of Missouri: *2019-2021 4.0- G.P.A*  
Thesis: *Territorialization/ Reterritorialization of Raramuri Knowledge within the Landscapes of Mulaka*  
B.A. Journalism – Hawaii Pacific University: *2010-2012- 3.0 G.P.A*

## AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Indigenous Geography, Queer Geography, Virtual Geography, Latinx Geography

## EMPLOYMENT AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

**Research Assistant** – Haskell Environmental Research Studies Institute: *01/22-Current*

**Teaching Assistant** – KU Department of Geography and Atmospheric Science: *08/21-12/21*

- Courses taught: *Geo 203 Culture and Health*

**Research Assistant** – University of Missouri: *08/20-08/21*

NSF Grants:

- 1.Indigenous Calendar Knowledge, Research Protocols, and Visualization Technologies*
- 2.Racialized Spaces, Labor Rights, and Immigrant Justice Experience in the Rural Midwest*

- Duties: *Conduct on site interviews using a variety structured and non-structure questionnaires, record data, Transcribe and codes taped interviews, and recruitment*

**Teaching Assistant** – University of Missouri - *08/19-05/20*

- Courses taught: *Regions & Nations I, Regions & Nations II*

## AWARDS

- Jesse H. Wheeler Award: University of Missouri Geography Department - *05/21*  
Amount: (\$200)
- Tinker Field Research Grant: KU Center for Latin American & Caribbean Studies-*11/21*  
Amount: (\$2,500)
- Pre-Dissertation Travel Grant: KU Department of International Affairs *04/22*  
Amount: (\$1790)

## PRESENTATIONS

- 2020 SWAAG-Geographies |Virtualness Panel: *Territorialization/ Reterritorialization of Raramuri Knowledge within the Landscapes of Mulaka 2020*
- 2022 National AAG Meeting |Geographic Indigenous Future Panel:  
*Construction/Deconstruction of Raramuri Knowledge 02/22*
- 2022 Global Opportunities Expo | *Identity & Belonging Panel 04/22*
- 2022 KU Graduate Research Symposium: *Raramuri n the City & Virtual Homeland 04/22*

## OTHER ROLES

KU Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee: Graduate Student Rep *09/21- Present*  
University of Missouri: Department of Geography Meeting: Student Rep *08/2020-05/2021*

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP**

Association of American Geographers: *2019-Present*

Specialty Groups: Indigenous Peoples, Latinx Geographies, Cultural Geographies, Africa  
Latino/a Graduate & Professional Network: *2019-2021*

Gamma Theta Upsilon (The International Geographic Honor Society) *2021-2022*

## **RELEVANT SKILLS**

**Languages:** Spanish native speaker (Speak, Read, Write), Portuguese fluent (speak, read, write,  
Changana limited (speak), Raramuri limited (speak)

**Software and programming:** ArcGIS, ArcMap, QGIS, NVivo, Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign,  
and Microsoft Office Suite