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Education

- University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA** September 2018 – Present
- PhD Candidate: Judaism and Christianity in Antiquity
- Catholic University of America, Washington D.C.** June 2019 – July 2019
- Syriac II Summer Language Course
- University of Chicago Divinity School, Chicago, IL** September 2016 – August 2018
- Master of Arts 2018
- Morehouse College Graduate, Atlanta, GA** December 2015
- Departmental Honors in History; BA in History, Religion minor
 - Summa cum laude
 - Phi Beta Kappa
 - Spanish speaker

Occupational Skills

Language Skills

- English (speaking/writing)
- Spanish (speaking/writing)
- Ancient Attic Greek (reading)
- Ancient Syriac (reading)
- Modern German (reading)
- Biblical Hebrew (reading)
- Ancient Aramaic (reading)
- Ancient Coptic (reading)

Computational Languages

- Python

Experience

- Learning Design and Technology (LDT) Intern** August 2022 – present
- Facilitated in undergraduate university world language exam placement scores
 - Created lesson playlists for faculty through Avalon software
 - Aided in assigning classrooms for faculty-taught courses for the Fall 2022 semester
 - Liaison to the Religious Studies Department for faculty-wide transition into CANVAS teaching software
- A Pimento Catering, Charlottesville, VA** August 2019
- Worked as a contract worker/bar-back at two wedding functions and learned catering skills
- University of Chicago Language Center, Chicago, IL** September 2017 – July 2018
- Worked as a student intern

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- Provided technological devices to instructors and assisted professors in setting up presentations

Chicago Youth Programs, Chicago, IL

June 2017 – July 2017

- Worked for 501c3 Youth Mentor Agency
- Worked as an Administrative Assistant arranging documents, organizing fundraising financial records
- Organized and updated student profiles of youths enrolled in the Chicago Youth Programs, especially those currently pursuing undergraduate education

Hope Works Community Development, Chicago, IL

September 2016 – June 2017

- Worked for 501c3 Staffing Agency
- Worked as an Advocate aiding unemployed job seekers in employment searches and career development
- Provided career counseling and developed resumes for clientele in the Woodlawn and South Chicago communities

Leadership Alliance and Mellon Initiative, University of Virginia

June 2015 – July 2015

- Employed internship as a mentee to Dr. Alison Booth at the Scholar's Lab.
 - Researched significant black women in American history
- Prepared my own academic research for my undergraduate senior thesis

Media Appearances

- Featured on *Bottled Petrichor* hosted by Ashher Masood premiered April 19, 2021
 - Episode 19: Christ, Christology, and Councils with Kerwin Holmes Jr
 - URL: <https://anchor.fm/bottled-petrichor/episodes/E19-Christ--Christology--and-Councils-with-Kerwin-Holmes-Jr-ev73gc>

Academic Achievements

Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship Journal 2015

- Published article “The Gospel of Slavery: A Study of Antebellum Southern American Christian Thought on African Slavery following the Second Great Awakening—Scholarship on Black Christianity in the 19th Century American South”

Leadership Alliance National Symposium (LANS) 2015, Stamford, CT

July 24-26, 2015

- Presented “The Popular Ethics: Southern Christians and Slave Theology, 1830-1861”

2015 MMUF Southeastern Regional Conference, Rice University

November 6-8, 2015

- Presented “Popular Ethics: Southern Slavery Theology 1830-1861”

Additional Academic Activities

- ◆ Leadership Alliance and Mellon Initiative- University of Virginia (Summer 2015)
- ◆ Phi Alpha Theta National History Honor Society (2015)
- ◆ Morehouse History Club, President/leading co-founder (Fall 2013 – Spring 2015)

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- Reformed the Morehouse History Majors Club into the Morehouse History Club
- The 27th Alton Hornsby, Jr. Lecture (May 2015)
 - Hosted Dr. Charles McKinney to deliver a lecture a lecture discussing the importance of black American self-determination efforts in the history of the United States of America with particular focus on modern movements and the benefits of previous models
- House on Fire Spring 2015 (April 16, 2015)
 - Planned, organized, and sponsored interfaith discussion amongst students through the Morehouse History Club with Spelman College and Emory University Hillel on the democratic future of religious and political responsibility for US citizens
- House on Fire Event (September 28, 2014)
 - Planned, sponsored, and moderated as host through the Morehouse History Club a college student discussion on gun violence, police brutality, and domestic violence
- The 26th Alton Hornsby, Jr. Lecture (May 2014)
 - Hosted Dr. Sir Hilary Beckles to deliver a lecture reviewing the present economic implications of past colonialism on African-descended American peoples and the case for reparations
- ◆ Ferguson?: A Morehouse College Interdisciplinary Discussion on Race, Identity, Community, and Criminality (April 14, 2015)
 - presented on the panel *Creative Writing and Personal Response*, presented written poem “Black Lives Matter”
- ◆ National Council for Black Studies (NCBS) Conference 2015
 - Presenter on panel *The African American Church in the Crucible of Oppression*
- ◆ UNCF/Mellon South Africa Cape Town Program (January 2015)
- ◆ Harvard Divinity School Diversity and Explorations Program Student (2014)
- ◆ UNCF/Mellon Undergraduate Scholar (2014)
- ◆ Crossroads to Freedom Rhodes College Internship Fellow (Summer 2013)
 - archivist, Civil Rights primary source accounts of the Memphis Sanitation Strikes, community organizer of Highland Heights cultural history
- ◆ Morehouse Student Ambassador
 - gives college campus tours to prospecting students (Spring 2013-Fall 2015)