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## Education

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| Sept 2023–Present   | Graduate Student, Program in Indo-European Studies, UCLA   |
| Sept 2022–June 2023 | Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Classics (with Distinction), UCLA<br><b>Thesis:</b> Linguistic Discrimination and Gendered Language in Aristophanes' <i>Birds</i> .<br><b>Adviser:</b> Prof. Sarah P. Morris |
| Aug 2018–May 2022   | B.A. in Classics (Hons.) and German Studies (Hons.), Grinnell College<br><b>Classics Capstone Thesis:</b> Dionysius and Livy: Sabine Women and the Roman Peace.<br><b>Adviser:</b> Prof. Monessa F. Cummins    |

## Publications

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| 2023 | "Mind your Language, Mister! A Case Study in Aristophanic Humor."<br><i>Animus: University of Chicago Classical Journal</i> Vol. 3.1, Winter, 36–51.  |
| 2023 | "Between Need, Want, Material and Innate Beauty: Tracing Shades of <i>Erōs</i> ."<br><i>Corvus</i> Vol. 13, Spring, 27–35.  |
| 2023 | "Gendered Language in Aristophanes' <i>Birds</i> ."<br><i>Persephone: The Harvard Undergraduate Classics Journal</i> Vol. 8.1, Spring, 12–29.   |
| 2021 | "The Estuarine Ecological Knowledge Network: Future Prospects."<br>(with Grant S. McCall, Russell Greaves, Brian Hitchcock, Brian Ostahowski, and Sherman W. Horn III.)<br><i>Marine Technology and Science Journal</i> 55(3): 122-123. |

## Presentations

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| Accepted      | "Re-mixing a piss-poor etymology: on Gk. μολγός and OE ( <i>ge</i> ) <i>māh</i> "<br>WeCIEC 35: Annual UCLA Indo-European Conference   |
| June 28, 2024 | "Towards an integrative approach to the investigation of linguistic phylogenies"<br>5th Munich-UCLA Historical Linguistics Colloquium (Presentation Materials available <a href="#">here</a> ) |
| May 29, 2024  | "FSAs, FSTs and sequence alignment in phylogenetic studies: The case of Tocharian B"<br>UCLA Program in Indo-European Studies Graduate Seminar   |

## Invited Lectures

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July 11, 2024 "Karma is the breeze in my hair on the weekend: Sanskrit loanwords into English"  
Classics 185: Origins and Nature of English Vocabulary, UCLA

## Research Experience

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August 2023--Present Research Assistant  
**Supervisor:** Prof. David Goldstein, University of California, Los Angeles

Jan-May 2022 Independent research  
Topic: "*Nibelungenlied* and Middle High German Verse"  
**Mentor:** Prof. Daniel P. Reynolds, Grinnell College

March--July 2021 Independent research  
Topic: "Jewish Life in Pakistan."  
**Mentor:** Prof. Viktoria Pötzl, Grinnell College

Aug-December 2021 Independent research  
Topic: "Peter Schneider's *Der Mauerspringer* and the search for a German identity"  
**Mentor:** Prof. Vance Byrd, University of Pennsylvania

June--August 2020 Research Assistant  
Topic: "Modelling Pre-historic Foraging Patterns Along the Coast of New Orleans."  
**Supervisor:** Prof. Grant McCall, Tulane University

## Teaching

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Sept-December 2024 Teaching Assistant, LING-110, ULCA  
**Instructor:** David Goldstein

Aug-September 2024 Teaching Assistant, LING-1, UCLA  
**Instructor:** Corrina Fuller

Aug 2021--January 2022 Instructor, ALS-102 (Urdu), Grinnell College

## Scholarships & Awards

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2024 Morvarid Guiv Graduate Fellowship in Zoroastrian Studies

2024 UCLA/Keck Humanistic Inquiry Research Award, UCLA Division of Humanities  
**Mentor:** Prof. David Goldstein  
**Collaborators:** Tom Francis, Klaus Kim, Laura McLean  
**Project:** Identifying and fixing (systematic) issues of cognacy encoding in IE-CoR

2024 Graduate Summer Research Mentorship Award  
**Mentor:** Prof. David Goldstein  
**Project:** Disentangling the diachronic dynamics of vowel mergers: The Case of Proto-Indo-Iranian

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| 2023–24 | Institute for the Study of Global Antiquity Fellowship             |
| 2023    | Society for Classical Studies Lionel Pearson Fellowship [Declined] |
| 2022–23 | Joan Palevsky Chair Post-Baccalaureate Scholarship in Classics     |
| 2022    | CAMWS Award for Outstanding Accomplishment in Classical Studies    |
| 2022    | Gus and Elfie Kalfass Prize for Excellence in German Studies       |
| 2021    | Gerald W. LaLonde Fellowship in Classical Studies                  |
| 2021    | UC Berkeley Intensive Greek Workshop Tuition Rebate                |
| 2019    | Institute for Global Engagement Summer Language Study Scholarship  |

## Service

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| 2024–Present | Graduate Seminar Organizer (with Aidan Holmgren), PIES, ULCA                    |
| 2023–Present | Mentor, Asian and Asian American Classical Caucus                               |
| 2023–Present | Organizer, UCLA Indo-European Conference Student                                |
| AY 2023–2024 | Graduate Student Association Representative, UCLA Undergraduate Council         |
| 2021–2022    | Co-Chair, Grinnell College Classical Studies Student Education Policy Committee |
| 2020–2022    | Co-Chair, Grinnell College German Studies Student Education Policy Committee    |

## Professional Organizations

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| 2023–Present | Indogermanische Gesellschaft               |
| 2022–Present | Society for Classical Studies              |
| 2022–Present | Classical Association of Midwest and South |

## External Coursework and Certifications

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| Summer 2024 | Exceptionality, Phonological Grammar and Opacity, Historical Linguistics (CreteLing 2024) |
| Summer 2021 | Old English (Leiden Summer School in Languages and Linguistics)                           |
| Summer 2021 | The Ancient Greek Workshop (UC Berkeley)  |
| Summer 2020 | Deutsch Erleben Workshop (Humboldt Universität)   |
| Summer 2019 | German Language Program (Universität Leipzig)   |

## Languages

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- **Ancient**
  - Advanced: Ancient Greek, Latin, Vedic, Gothic
  - Intermediate: Hittite, Middle High German, Luwian
  - Basic: Old English, Tocharian B
- **Modern**
  - (Near-)Native: Hindi/Urdu, Panjabi, English, German (C1)
  - Grammatical: Italian, French

## Technical Skills and Programming Languages

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Microsoft Office Suite, NetLogo, Python, B<sub>l</sub><sub>a</sub><sub>t</sub><sub>e</sub><sub>M</sub><sub>a</sub><sub>T</sub><sub>E</sub>X, R, RevBayes, Beast2.0, Stan

## Miscellaneous

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- Feature in Grinnell's Student Newspaper: <https://thesandb.com/41093/article/muhammad-rehan/>
- Write-up on my German research projects: <https://www.grinnell.edu/news/muhammad-rehan-22-discovers-love-german-language>

## References

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| Prof. David M. Goldstein   | University of California, Los Angeles<br>Department of Linguistics/Program in Indo-European Studies/Classics<br>3125 Campbell Hall, UCLA, Los Angeles, CA 90095, USA<br>Email: <a href="mailto:dgoldstein@humnet.ucla.edu">dgoldstein@humnet.ucla.edu</a> |
| Prof. Stephanie W. Jamison | University of California, Los Angeles<br>Department of Asian Languages and Cultures/Program in Indo-European Studies<br>Royce Hall 290, UCLA, Los Angeles, CA 90095, USA<br>Email: <a href="mailto:jamison@humnet.ucla.edu">jamison@humnet.ucla.edu</a>   |
| Prof. Angelo O. Mercado    | Grinnell College<br>Department of Classics/Linguistics<br>Grinnell College, 1226 Park Street, Grinnell, IA 50112, USA<br>Email: <a href="mailto:mercadoa@grinnell.edu">mercadoa@grinnell.edu</a>  |
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| Prof. Brent Vine           | University of California, Los Angeles<br>Department of Classics/Program in Indo-European Studies, Emeritus<br>Dodd Hall 289B, UCLA, Los Angeles, CA 90095, USA<br>Email: <a href="mailto:vine@humnet.ucla.edu">vine@humnet.ucla.edu</a>                   |
| Prof. Anthony Yates        | University of California, Los Angeles<br>Department of Near Eastern Languages and Cultures<br>378 Kaplan Hall, 415 Portola Plaza, Los Angeles, CA 90095, USA<br>Email: <a href="mailto:adyates@ucla.edu">adyates@ucla.edu</a>                             |