

Olivia R. Trotter

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EDUCATION

University of Oklahoma

Norman, Oklahoma

Bachelor of Arts in English, Minor in Sociology; Earned May 2015

- **American Indian Scholarship** (Fall 2010-Spring 2014)
- **Dean's Honor Roll** (Fall 2011, Spring 2013, Fall 2013, Spring 2014)
- **President's Honor Roll** (Fall 2011, Spring 2014)

University of North Texas

Denton, Texas

Master of Arts in English Literature, (Spring 2019- Summer 2021)

Texas A&M University—Commerce

Commerce, Texas

PhD in English with a focus on Children's Literature, (Fall 2021-Present); expected graduation date Fall 2026.

- **American Indian Scholarship—Choctaw Nation** (Fall 2021-Spring 2023)

CURRENT RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Children's Literature, Fan Studies, Adaptation, Autobiographies, the Child Construct, Gender Studies/Theory, Lacanian Theory, Dystopian Literature, Spectacle

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Collin College Interdisciplinary Conference

Collin College, Plano, Texas

- Spring 2018
- Poem, "Boudica's Fire", was accepted for poetry panel, and eventually, published.

Forces Reading/ 30th Anniversary Celebration

Collin College, Plano, Texas

- Spring 2019
- Presentation of "Boudica's Fire"

Society of Early Americanists/ Twelfth Biennial SEA Conference

Virtual

- March 3-7, 2021
- Presented "Beyond Elegies and Religion: Phillis Wheatley as a Black Feminist" in a panel on Phillis Wheatley, led by Dr. Angela Calcaterra, Associate Professor, Department of English, University of North Texas.

American Studies Association of Texas 64th Annual Conference *Midwestern State University*

- November 11-13, 2021
- Presented "Haunted Objects: Shirley Jackson and Proto-Lacanian Mirror Stage" in a panel led by Dr. Sean Ferrier-Watson, Professor at Collin College.

Disney, Culture and Society Research Network Second Annual Conference

Virtual

- June 24-28, 2024
- Presented “Blipping “Y/N”: The Avenger into the *MCU* during COVID-19” in a panel led by Dr. Rebecca Rowe, Professor at Texas A&M—Commerce

PUBLICATIONS

- Trotter, Olivia (2019) "Boudica's Fire," *Forces*: Vol. 2019 , Article 17.
Available at: <https://digitalcommons.collin.edu/forces/vol2019/iss1/17>
- Trotter, Olivia Royce. “Suzanne Collins' Hunger Games Trilogy: How Society of Spectacle Bred the Mockingjay”, thesis, August 2021; Denton, Texas.
(<https://digital.library.unt.edu/ark:/67531/metadc1833462/>; accessed August 31, 2023), University of North Texas Libraries, UNT Digital Library, <https://digital.library.unt.edu/>; .

ACADEMIC WORK EXPERIENCE

- Graduate Assistant Teacher at Texas A&M University Commerce / August 2021-present
Courses taught: ENG 1301 (Written Argument/Research I) and ENG 1302 (Written Argument and Research II)

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

- English Graduation Advancement and Development (EGAD), Co-President, Fall 2022-present. Elected Position.
- Mentor and graduate assistant for an undergraduate class in Chaucer through Graduate Student Teaching Excellence Program (GSTEP) at the University of North Texas (Spring 2020)
- Texas A&M—Commerce’s 1st Mock Caldecott, I chose and acquired half the books to be considered for the mock Caldecott award (Fall 2023).

ACTIVITIES

American Indian Scholars

University of Oklahoma, Norman, Oklahoma

Fall 2010- Spring 2014

- Volunteered with other American Indian Scholarship students to help promote the education and higher learning of American Indian students.
- Participated in American Indian High School Visitation Day (Fall 2013). Advised and talked with prospective students about educational and scholarship opportunities for American Indian students attending the University of Oklahoma.

American Indian Student Association

University of Oklahoma, Norman, Oklahoma

Fall 2010- Spring 2014

- At general meetings, collaborated with other members to help promote the educational and social welfare of American Indian students on campus.
- Helped other members provide American Indian students’ educational resources on campus, a voice in University Affairs, a place to maintain cultural connections, and a social support group.

English Graduates for Academic Development

Commerce, Texas

Fall 2022-Co-Present

- As Co-president, arrange, plan and collaborate with students, staff, and faculty on meetings.
- Scout potential faculty/visitors to speak and present on certain aspects of their career during meetings.