

# Brianna L. Meyer

Curriculum Vitae

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## EDUCATION

- May 2025 (expected) **Ph.D. in Cultural Anthropology, doctoral minor in Culture, History, & Environment**  
University of Wisconsin-Madison  
Dissertation: “Ride or Die: Reciprocal Care Across Species in American Saddlebred Horse Showing”  
Committee: Falina Enriquez (advisor), Jérôme Camal, Christine Garlough, Elizabeth Hennessy, Maria Lepowsky
- 2019 **M.A. in Cultural Anthropology**, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- 2017 **B.A. in Anthropology & English (majors), Spanish (minor)**, Augustana College

## RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS

Beyond-human/multispecies anthropologies; care theory; equestrianism studies; environmental studies/anthropology; theories of gender & feminism; anthropology of sport

## PUBLICATIONS & WORK IN PROGRESS

- 2025 “The ‘Heart’ Horse, and Other Reciprocal Care in Multispecies Sport.” [article in preparation for submission to *Animal History*]
- 2024 “Reciprocal Care across Species in Horse Showing—and Beyond.” [article in preparation for submission to *Edge Effects*]
- 2018 “The Political Structure of Saddlebred Horse Showing.” March. *Anthropology News*.  
<https://doi.org/10.1111/AN.799>
- 2017 “Riding in Circles: Horse(wo)manship in the American Saddlebred Community.” Undergraduate Senior Inquiry, Augustana College.

## CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

### Papers Delivered (\* = invited talks)

- 2024 “Hold Your Horses!: Adapting to Personhood Beyond Human Figurations,” Center for Culture, History, & Environment Symposium: Mutation/Adaptation, panel “Multispecies Imagination and Social Life,” UW-Madison, March 9.
- 2023 \* “Ride or Die: An Introduction to Reciprocal Care Across Species,” Department of Anthropology & Sociology Alumni Colloquium, Augustana College, October 19.
- 2022 \* “Precarious Care in Multispecies Sport,” UW-Madison Ethics of Care Initiative Meeting, panel “Care and Precarity,” May 3.
- 2022 “Care & Companionship in American Saddlebred Horse Showing,” Graduate Student Conference in Anthropology: (In)Constant Companions, panel “Multispecies Companions,” UC-Santa Cruz, April 30 [virtual].
- 2022 “Ride or Die: Embodied Care in Multispecies Sport,” Anthropology Student Union Colloquium: World Recreated, UW-Milwaukee, March 27.
- 2021 “Cyborg Horse Labor and the More-than-Human History of Madison,” Center for Culture, History, & Environment Symposium: Beyond, UW-Madison, March 13 [virtual].
- 2020 “‘Horses are my Life’: Care and Justice in Multispecies Sport,” Center for Culture, History, & Environment International Conference: Environmental Justice in Multispecies Worlds, panel “Corporeal Justice and Environmental Ethics of Care,” UW-Madison, March 6-8.
- 2019 “A History of Buffalo & Humans,” Center for Culture, History, & Environment Place-Based Workshop: Changing Landscapes of Indigeneity, UW-Madison, May 13-16.
- 2019 “‘I Didn’t Win, but I Made Him Sweat’: Being Equestrienne in the American Saddlebred Community,” panel “Local Perceptions & Gendered Experiences in Development and Show,” Center for Culture, History, & Environment Symposium: Claiming Space, UW-Madison, February 16.
- 2017 “Riding in Circles: Horse(wo)manship in the American Saddlebred Community,” Central States Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Lincoln, NE, April 6-8.

### Panels Moderated & Conferences Organized

- 2024 Co-organizer, “Mutation/Adaptation,” Center for Culture, History, & Environment Symposium, UW-Madison, March 9.
- 2022 Co-organizer & moderator, “Care & Precarity,” Ethics of Care Initiative discussion, UW-Madison, April 30.

- 2022 Moderator, “A Conversation with Joan Tronto,” Ethics of Care Initiative discussion, UW-Madison, April 26 [virtual].
- 2022 Co-organizer & graphic designer, “Re-/Generation,” Center for Culture, History, & Environment Symposium, UW-Madison, March 5 [virtual].
- 2021 Co-founder, co-organizer, & graphic designer, “So You Want to Talk About Land Theft Universities,” Center for Culture, History, & Environment, UW-Madison, in collaboration with Dimensions of Political Ecology, University of Kentucky, ongoing reading group September-May 2022 [virtual].
- 2021 Panel moderator, “Relations of Care Across and After Worlds Conference,” panel “Ecologies of More Than Human Care,” Ethics of Care Initiative, UW-Madison, May 13-14 [virtual].
- 2020 Graduate co-organizer & graphic designer, “Environmental Justice in Multispecies Worlds,” Center for Culture, History, & Environment international conference, UW-Madison, March 6-8.

## **FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, & AWARDS**

### **Fellowships**

- 2023-24 University Fellow: \$24,545 (Graduate School, UW-Madison)
- 2022-23 Virginia Horne Henry Distinguished Graduate Fellow: \$23,727 (Department of Kinesiology, UW-Madison)
- 2017-18 University Fellow: \$20,500 (Graduate School, UW-Madison)
- 2016 Summer Student Research Fellow: \$3,500 (Department of Anthropology, Augustana College)

### **Grants**

- 2022 Research Travel Award: \$250 (Department of Anthropology, UW-Madison)
- 2022 Research Travel Award: \$1,500 (Center for Culture, History, & Environment, UW-Madison)
- 2022 Research Travel Award: \$1,200 (Graduate School, UW-Madison)
- 2021 Arvin B. Weinstein Prize: \$500 (Department of Anthropology, UW-Madison)
- 2019 Research Travel Award: \$1,000 (Department of Anthropology, UW-Madison)
- 2019 Research Travel Award: \$1,200 (Graduate School, UW-Madison)

## Teaching Recognition

2020 Teaching Academy Future Faculty Partner nomination & induction

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE & ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

### Guest Lecturer, UW-Madison

Environmental Studies 600 - Storytelling Beyond the Human  
“Beyond-Human Perspectives on Personality  
& Personhood”  
(Invited talk for discussion-based course) Fall 2024

### Teaching Assistant, UW-Madison

Anthropology 104 - Introduction to Cultural Anthropology  
(Discussion-based course, textbook: Guest)  
Spring 2022  
Fall 2021  
Spring 2021 [virtual]  
Fall 2020 [virtual]  
Fall 2019  
Spring 2019  
Fall 2018

### Project Assistant, UW-Madison

Managing Editor for *Edge Effects* digital magazine  
Center for Culture, History, & Environment  
Fall 2024-Spring 2025  
REACH Pedagogy Redesign Initiative for Anthropology 104  
Center for Teaching, Learning & Mentoring  
Spring-Summer 2020

### Pedagogical Training & Involvement, UW-Madison

Teaching Academy Fall Retreat: “Ableism, Disability, and  
Inclusive Practices” [virtual]  
Center for Teaching, Learning & Mentoring  
(Co-organizer & participant) Fall 2021  
Teaching Academy Fall Retreat: “A More Inclusive &  
Empowering Campus” [virtual]  
Center for Teaching, Learning & Mentoring  
(Co-organizer & participant) Summer-Fall 2020  
Teaching & Learning Symposium [event cancelled due  
to COVID-19] Spring 2020  
Session Title: “Teaching For and From an  
International Student’s Perspective”

Center for Teaching, Learning & Mentoring  
(Co-presenter with Daniel Pell)

Teaching Development Workshop  
Department of Anthropology  
(Leader & participant) Fall 2018-Spring 2020

Teaching Assistant Training  
College of Letters and Sciences Fall 2018

## **ACADEMIC SERVICE & EMPLOYMENT**

### **UW-Madison**

Editorial Board Member & Podcast Editor: *Edge Effects* digital magazine  
Center for Culture, History, & Environment  
(employed) Fall 2021-Spring 2024  
[Link to editing/podcast portfolio](#)

Graduate Associate Organizing Committee  
Center for Culture, History, & Environment  
(elected co-member) Fall 2023-Spring 2024

Teaching Academy Executive Board  
Center for Teaching, Learning & Mentoring  
(elected graduate representative) Fall 2021-Fall 2022

Teaching Academy Planning Committee  
Center for Teaching, Learning & Mentoring  
FFP Social & Retreat Planning  
(volunteer) Spring 2020-Fall 2021

Place-Based Workshop: Changing Landscapes of Indigeneity  
Center for Culture, History, & Environment  
(multi-day attendee) Spring 2019

### **Augustana College**

Anthropology Research Assistant  
Department of Anthropology  
Supervising faculty: Adam Kaul  
(employed) Spring 2015-2017

Anthropology Tutor  
Department of Anthropology Spring 2017

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| (employed)   | Fall 2016               |
| <b>COMMUNITY EXPERIENCE</b>                            |                         |
| American Saddlebred Equestrian                         | 2002-present            |
| World Champion rider & driver: Hollow Haven Farm       |                         |
| French Horn Ensemble Member                            | Fall 2012-Spring 2017   |
| Symphonic Band & Symphony Orchestra: Augustana College |                         |
| Sigma Alpha Iota - Delta Tau                           | Spring 2013-Spring 2017 |
| Editor, Web Editor, & Member: Augustana College        |                         |

## **PROFICIENCIES**

### Technology

Wordpress

Eloqua

Adobe Software

Photoshop, Illustrator, Lightroom, InDesign, Audition, PremierePro

Audacity (audio editing)

Microsoft Office & Google Suite

Photography, videography, & audio recording

### Academic

Small-scale grant writing

Discussion-based pedagogy

### Language

Spanish (conversational/reading)

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

American Anthropological Association (AAA); Anthropology & Environment Society (A&E);

Association for Feminist Anthropology (AFA)

## **REFERENCES**

Dr. Falina Enriquez

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Dr. Jérôme Camal

Associate Professor of Anthropology

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Dr. Christine Garlough

Professor of Gender and Women's Studies, Director of Center for Research on Gender & Women, Co-Leader of Ethics of Care Initiative

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