

Hannah Smith

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Research Interests

20th and 21st century literature; genre fiction; speculative literature; fantasy; the novel; feminist theory; gender and sexuality studies; pedagogy; writing and rhetoric

Education

Master of Arts in Literature

May 2026

The University of Colorado, Boulder, CO

GPA: 4.0

- Critical Theory
- Theories and Practices of College Writing Instruction
- Independent Study: The Illusion of Female Power Within Fantasy Genre Structures, directed by Dr. Benjamin Robertson
- Department of English Pedagogy Orientation
- English Graduate Student Council
- Graduate Peer Mentor Program

Bachelor of Arts in English

Dec. 2023

Ouachita Baptist University, Arkadelphia, AR

GPA: 4.0

- Minor in History
- Honors Thesis, *Three Inches from Death*, directed by Professor Jennifer Burkett Pittman
- Directed Study: Wilderness Survival in Literature vs. Reality, directed by Shane Seaton
- Carl Goodson Honors Program
- Sigma Tau Delta English Honors Society
- Graduated Summa Cum Laude

Associate of Arts

May 2021

Lonestar College System, Houston, TX

GPA: 4.0

- Graduated Summa Cum Laude

Academic Employment

Teaching Assistant, HIST 2516: America Through Baseball, Professor Kimberley Jackson, Ph.D. *University of Colorado, Boulder CO Jan. 2026-May 2026*

- Graded and gave feedback on essays and blue book exams for 40 students throughout the semester.

- Assisted with attendance tracking activities in class.

Herbst Academic Center Learning Facilitator, *The University of Colorado, Boulder, CO, Aug. 2025-May 2026*

- Supervised 6-20 student athletes for a one-hour study hall weekly.
- Filed session reports in Teamworks.

Teaching Assistant, ENGL 3016: Writing in the Age of AI, Professor Teresa Nugent, Ph.D. *University of Colorado, Boulder CO, Aug. 2025-Dec. 2025*

- Graded and gave feedback on discussion posts, journal entries, and other written assignments throughout the semester.
- Held Zoom office hours for asynchronous student support.

Department of Neuroscience and Psychology Proctor, *The University of Colorado, Boulder, CO, Aug. 2025-Dec. 2025*

- Supervised up to 10 students at a time for extended testing time accommodations during the Fall 2025 semester.

Department of English and Program for Writing and Rhetoric Researcher, *The University of Colorado, Boulder, CO, May 2025-Aug. 2025*

- Filed IRB exempt protocol paperwork.
- Designed a survey and interview questions for the study.
- Conducted 19 interviews with study respondents.
- Organized data for final report.

Teaching Assistant, HIST 3020: Historical Thinking and Writing, Professor Thomas G. Andrews, Ph.D. *University of Colorado, Boulder, CO, Jan. 2025-May 2025*

- Led in-class discussions throughout the semester.
- Met one-on-one with students to work on their writing process.
- Graded and gave feedback on written student work.

Teaching Assistant, ENGL 1290: Crime, Policing, Detection, Professor William Kuskin, Ph.D. *University of Colorado, Boulder, CO, Jan. 2025-May 2025*

- Led in-class discussions and lectures throughout the semester.
- Graded student writing assignments ranging from low stakes in-class writing to close reading essay exams to a crime/mystery short story.

Teaching Assistant, HIST 1218: Sub-Saharan African History Before 1850, Professor Henry Lovejoy, Ph.D. *University of Colorado, Boulder, CO, Aug. 2024-Dec. 2024*

- Tracked and managed student attendance using QR codes and Google Sheets.
- Graded 90 Midterm Blue Book exams and final essay exams.

Grader, ENGL 2006: American Comics and Graphic Novels, Professor William Kuskin, Ph.D. *University of Colorado, Boulder, CO, Aug. 2024-Dec. 2024*

- Graded 6 creative projects and 3 essays, as well as a final portfolio, for 38 students.

Guest Lecturer, Literary Analysis, Professor Teresa Nugent, Ph.D. *University of Colorado, Boulder, CO, Sept. 2024-Nov. 2024*

- Shadowed 8 classes before guest lecturing on a portion of Kali Fajardo-Anstine's novel *Woman of Light* for a Video Teaching Consultation for the Certificate in College Teaching.

Department of History Research Fellow, *Ouachita Baptist University, Arkadelphia, AR, May 2024-Aug. 2024*

- Researched around 35 Black History Month honorees for the City of Arkadelphia.
- Wrote a brief biography paragraph for each honoree with a Chicago-style bibliography.

Peer Instructor, Composition I Lab, Professor Jill Batson, *Ouachita Baptist University, Arkadelphia, AR, Jan. 2023-Dec. 2023*

- Peer instructed a Composition I Lab under the direction of Professor Jill Batson once a week for the Spring 2023 and Fall 2023 semesters, leading lessons on passive and active voice, outlining, finding sources, and other Composition I skills.

Consultant, *Speer Writing Center, Ouachita Baptist University, Arkadelphia, AR, Jan. 2022-Dec. 2023*

- Led 30-minute one-on-one sessions with a client, up to four times a week, to work on various stages of the writing process, primarily in-person but also online from time to time.

Conference Papers and Presentations

"Demystifying Academic Careers," *Life After the MA/PhD Speaker Series, University of Colorado, Oct. 2025.*

"Motherhood and Childhood in Félix Tanco y Bosmeniel's 'Petrona y Rosalía,'" *EGSC Mini Conference, University of Colorado, Apr. 2025.*

"Voice and Tools in *The Memory Police*," Guest Lecture for Dr. Kuskin, *University of Colorado, Apr. 2025.*

"Masking and Identity in *Queenpin*," Guest Lecture for Dr. Kuskin, *University of Colorado, Apr. 2025.*

"Using Databases for Research," Guest Lecture for Dr. Andrews, *University of Colorado*, Mar. 2025.

"Source Evaluation and Footnoting," Guest Lecture for Dr. Andrews, *University of Colorado*, Feb. 2025.

"Unreliable Narration in *The Murder of Roger Ackroyd*," Guest Lecture for Dr. Kuskin, *University of Colorado*, Feb. 2025.

"Close Reading *Woman of Light*," Guest Lecture for Dr. Nugent, *University of Colorado*, Nov. 2024.

"On Writing *Three Inches from Death*," *Scholars Day*, *Ouachita Baptist University*, Apr. 2024.

"Mitchell's Rest Cure in 'The Yellow Wallpaper,'" *Scholar's Day*, *Ouachita Baptist University*, Apr. 2023.

"CODA: A Look at Both Sides of Deaf and Hearing Experiences With Music," *Scholar's Day*, *Ouachita Baptist University*, Apr. 2023.

"Mitchell's Rest Cure in 'The Yellow Wallpaper,'" *Sigma Tau Delta National Convention*, *Sigma Tau Delta*, Mar. 2023.

"Mitchell's Rest Cure in 'The Yellow Wallpaper,'" *Honors Symposium*, *Ouachita Baptist University*, Feb. 2023.

"Though I May Slip," *Scholars Day*, *Ouachita Baptist University*, Apr. 2022.

Honors and Awards

William C. Johnson Distinguished Scholarship, *Sigma Tau Delta*, Aug. 2024-May 2025

Department of English Fellowship, *University of Colorado Boulder*, Fall 2024

Crawford Scholarship, *Ouachita Baptist University*, Aug. 2023

Johnny and Susan Wink Endowed Scholarship, *Ouachita Baptist University*, Aug. 2023

Outstanding Sophomore Herman Sanford Scholar Award, *Ouachita Baptist University*, May 2023

President's List, *Ouachita Baptist University*, Fall 2021, Spring 2022, Fall 2022, Spring 2023, and Fall 2023 semesters

President's Scholarship, *Ouachita Baptist University*, Aug. 2021-Dec. 2023

McCuin Scholarship, *Ouachita Baptist University*, Aug. 2021-Dec. 2023

Outstanding Freshman in English, *Ouachita Baptist University*, May 2022

Ouachita Student Foundation Scholarship, *Ouachita Baptist University*, Aug. 2022-Dec. 2023

Lindow Scholarship, *Aug. 2022-Dec. 2023*

Bill Downs Endowed Scholarship, *Ouachita Baptist University, Aug. 2022-May 2023*

WMU Scholarship, *Women's Missionary Union, Union Baptist Church, Aug. 2021-May 2023*

Tiger Network Leadership Scholarship, *Ouachita Baptist University, Aug. 2021- May 2022*

Nonacademic Work Experience

Documentation Intern, *Global Shop Solutions, The Woodlands, TX, May 2026-July 2026*

- Replaced images in 650 articles on Global Shop Solutions' Help page.
- Transferred and formatted new articles from 500-page document.

Quality Assurance Intern, *Global Shop Solutions, The Woodlands, TX, May 2024-Aug. 2024*

- Standardized document formatting for over 2500 articles on Global Shop Solutions' Help page.
- Edited around 75 Help articles for clarity and grammar improvement.

Sales Associate, *James Avery Artisan Jewelry, Cypress, TX, July 2023-Aug. 2024*

- Assisted customers in selection and purchase of jewelry in person for four- or six-hour shifts up to 28 hours a week.
- Sorted and catalogued various amounts of inventory during shifts when not assisting customers.

Languages

- French (reading)