

Lillian Olivia Haynes

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EDUCATION

Texas A&M University, The Bush School

Bachelor of Arts in International Affairs, Spanish & Hispanic Studies. GPA 4.0.

College Station, TX

May 2026

- University Honors Fellow; Departmental Honors in International Affairs; Public Policy Certificate Candidate
- Graduate Seminar in Latin American Literature; Global Language Outstanding Achievement.

Study Abroad at Universidad Autónoma "Benito Juárez" de Oaxaca.

Oaxaca, Mexico

May 2025 – July 2025

- Coursework in Creative Writing, Mexican Literature, Activism Media & Writing in Latin America.
- Completed 30+ hours as a medical intern at **The Red Cross**, aiding in admin tasks and medical assistance.

SKILLS

- Bilingual in English & Spanish, Intermediate French & American Sign Language; NYU Modern Journalism Candidate.
- King Constantine International Award; 2024 Bahamian National Soccer Champ, Captain; [GGYA Gold](#) Recipient.
- 200+ hours of private tutoring experience; Advanced knowledge of Office 365, Canva, Adobe and AP Style writing.

RESEARCH

University Honors Thesis, The Tide Remembers

College Station, TX

Puerto Rican Resistance, Colonial History in the Face of Cultural Erosion

June 2025 – Present

- Traveling to conduct fieldwork on P.R. beaches and bilingual interviews; interdisciplinary 50 pg. report on spatial resistance.

Investigative Assistant, The Bush School of Gov. & Public Service

College Station, TX

Researched for Dr. Taylor Robinson, Associate Dean for Research

Jan. 2025 – May 2025

- Researched backgrounds and sources on executive Branch Promotions in the Exec. Gov.
- Learned to navigate Excel and conduct research for quality sources before inputting into data sets.

Independent Reporting and Oral History Project: [Oaxaca en La Piel](#)

Oaxaca, Mexico

Interviewer, Writer, Researcher

May 2025 – Present

- Interviewed 15 residents on cultural heritage; examine pressures of gentrification, gender inequality, and rural poverty, while celebrating resilience and community fostered between community members.

EMPLOYMENT

[The Battalion](#), Texas A&M Student Newspaper

College Station, TX

Life & Arts Writer; Distribution Assistant

Jan. 2025 – Jan. 2026

- Crafted, edited over 12 engaging coverages and features enhancing cultural dialogue on campus.
- [Best of SNO Journalism Award](#); Assisted in the distribution of the student newspaper at events and stands.

[Marketing & Communications Team](#), Texas A&M University

College Station, TX

Student Coordinator, Writer

Oct. 2024 – Present

- Wrote, edited, photographed, 20+ articles; 5 university-wide campaigns in AP Style for College of Arts & Sciences news feed.
- Managed, produced content for 2 departmental and the College of Arts & Sciences [social media feeds](#).

Brazos Interfaith Immigration Network

College Station, TX

Legal, Marketing and Service Intern

Jan. 2026-Present

- Assisting local community members bilingually 20 hrs/week with citizenship & legal documents, and rent + utility support.
- Leading a state-wide project focused on documenting BCS immigrant stories to amplify minority voices.

United States Department of State, Nassau Embassy Abroad

Nassau, The Bahamas

Intern at Politics & Economics Section

May 2023 – Aug. 2023

- Interviewed, organized National Student Visa Campaign with Public Affairs team.
- Organized, designed graphics for Trafficking of Person's Symposium & Embassy Crisis Management System.

[Project Dear Kiara: Non-Profit & Publication](#)

Multiple Locations

Founder, Content Writer

May 2022 – Present

- Wrote original poetry, research, personal narratives, edited testimonials, biographies.
- Sold 100+ copies of "dear Kiara: A Biographical Poetry Collection"; raised ~\$1,000 for mental health NGOs.
- Spoke to youth about suicide prevention, including workshops, podcast, and social media outreach.

LEADERSHIP

UNICEF, TAMU Chapter, President & Fundraising Chair

Jan. 2025 – Present

- Organizing all fundraising events for a projected total of +\$1,000 in Spring 2026; run weekly meetings of 30-member team.
- 100 volunteer hours in 2025; projected +150 hours this semester through the Brazos Food Bank; NEAL Recreation Center; Immigration Center; Brazos Boys & Girls Club, Aggie BUILD and Scotty's House.

The Bush Ambassadors, Member

January 2025 – Present

- Representing the Bush School through event management and coordination at 8+ events yearly throughout our three institutes, including prospective student tours.

Texas A&M Women's Club Soccer Team, Goalkeeper

August 2025-Jan. 2026

- Regional Champion of the Southwestern Conference; trained 8 hours a week + games on competitive 26-member team.

The Eckleburg Project, Staff Writer & Treasurer Aug. 2024 – Present

- Publication of original poetry, narratives in online medium, journal; editing ~5 pieces weekly.

Southwestern Conference on Latin American Affairs, Delegate/Presenter March 2025

- Presented on the value of reflecting inwards to make outside change, embodying the Aggie spirit through comradery, motivation and joint community; discussed ongoing social reforms across nations.

The Red Cross, Medical Intern May 2025-July 2025

- Assisted for 30+ hours in medical tasks, including surgeries, nursing translations and admin procedures.

AWARDS

Gargoyle Magazine, Apprentice & Publication Aug. 2025 – Present

- Worked with Head Editor to review articles; article to be published in Winter Edition.

R.L. Hubbard Writers of the Future Writing Competition, Silver Award Recipient August 2023

- Honorable mention in International for short story promoting LGBTQIA+ rights and history.

NASA Roads on Asteroids, Mission Log Writer and Editor Aug. 2020 – Jan. 2022

- Produced a 60+ page, National-Award winning mission log on a simulated Mars rover landing, furthering space education.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Creative Non-Fiction & Poetry **Project dear Kiara**

- [My Old Friend Grief // Author's Note](#)

Features Non-Fiction Articles **The Battalion**

- [Local tailor shop provides alterations, heritage to Bryan-College Station](#)
- [‘The best of times’: Celebrating 50 years of women in the Corps of Cadets](#)
- [A ‘Step’ into history: Historically Black fraternities, sororities host cultural dance showcase](#)

Coverage Non-Fiction Article **Best of SNO**

- [‘Her spirit will never die’: Memorial service commemorates Reveille IX’s reign as First Lady of Aggieland](#)

Non-Fiction Interview **Gargoyle Magazine**

- [An Interview with Víctor Armando Cruz Chávez Oaxacan Writer, Poet and Musician](#)

Non-Fiction Biographical Retellings **Texas A&M Marketing & Comm.**

- [I Think Therefore I Am: Celebrating 60 Years of Philosophy](#)
- [An Aggie Spirit, A Navy Mission](#)

Oaxaca Oral Storytelling **Personal Project**

- [More than ‘The Prettiest City in the World’: Stories of Resilience and Hope in Oaxaca](#)

Creative Non-Fiction **The Eckleburg Project**

- [The Thing About Mothers, pg. 35 \(Sample\)](#)

COURSEWORK

Writing

- Graduate Seminar in Latin American Lit. (A); Honors Writing About Literature (A); Senior Poetry & Lit. in Latin America (A)
- Mexican Writers & Literature (A); Activism Writing in Latin America (A); Introduction to Latin American Literature (A)
- Comparative Lit. (A); World Lit. (A); English Language and Literature (A); Honors Spanish Composition and Conversation (A)

International Affairs

- Honors Nations & Nationalisms (A); Honors Introduction to International Affairs (A); Democracy and Globalization (A)
- Foundations of Cultural Studies (A); Principles of International Affairs (A); Principles of Global Economy (A)

REFERENCES

Sondra White	Executive Director for Marketing & Comms., Texas A&M	(970) 315-2557
Robert Carley	Associate Professor	(979) 458-6879
Eduardo Espina	Professor of Global Languages & Cultures, Texas A&M	(979) 218-0084
Mari Rogers	Personal Reference	(469) 233-0877

ADDITIONAL TIME ABROAD

Lima, Peru: Jan. 2016 – Dec. 2018

- Lived abroad with family due to father’s post as a federal agent within the federal government

San Juan, Puerto Rico: Dec. 2018 – Dec. 2021

- Lived abroad with family due to father’s post as a federal agent within the federal government

Nassau, The Bahamas: Jan. 2022 – June 2024

- Lived abroad with family due to father’s post as a federal agent within the federal government

Buenos Aires, Argentina: May 2023 – June 2023

- Foreign exchange trip with Northlands high school in Buenos Aires; completed Spanish courses abroad

Oaxaca, Mexico: May 2025 – July 2025

- Foreign exchange trip between Texas A&M University and Universidad Autónoma “Benito Juárez” de Oaxaca.