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EDUCATION:

University of California, Santa Cruz Expected: May 2029
PhD Student, Cultural Anthropology

Indiana University, Bloomington May 2023
Master of Arts in Food Studies
Capstone Project- Community and Identity: Urban Youth and Their Pursuit for A Good Meal

Ball State University, Muncie May 2021
Bachelor of Arts in Hospitality and Food Management
Minor in Spanish
Honors college student
Honors Thesis (Dr. Jason Powell, PhD)- Me: The Continuing Journey

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

University of California, Santa Cruz August 2024- Present
Department of Anthropology, Reader/TA

Indiana University, Bloomington August 2023- June 2024
Department of English, Visiting Lecturer

Indiana University, Bloomington August 2022 – May 2023
College of Arts & Science, Instructor of Record

Indiana University, Bloomington August 2021 – May 2022
Department of Anthropology, Instructor of Record

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE:

Felege Hiywot Center, Indianapolis. May 2023- December 2024
Grant Writer and Development Specialist

Indiana University, Bloomington
NSF Cultural Anthropology Methods Program May 2023

Felege Hiywot Center, Indianapolis January 2022- Present
MA Food Studies Research, Social Impact Coordinator/ Research Intern

Indiana University, Bloomington August 2021 – May 2022
Community Based Research, Community Partner/ Community Researcher

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HIGHER EDUCATION EXPERIENCE:

Ball State University, Muncie August 2018 – May 2021
Latinx Student Union, Financial Advisor

Ball State University, Muncie August 2018 – December 2018
Student Government Association, Senator

Ball State University, Muncie January 2018 – May 2018
Second Harvest Food Bank, Field Education Volunteer

PUBLICATIONS:

Hernandez, Gerardo. “Me: The Continuing Journey” *Ball State University Archives and Special Collections*. (July 2021).

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS:

Hernandez, G; Seymour, R. (March 2023). “How to Build C.A.R.E. (Community. Activism. Reflexivity. Engagement.) with your Interlocutors.” 2023 AGSA/SKOMP Graduate Research Symposium. Bloomington, Indiana.

Hernandez, G. (April 2023). “Manifestations of Race and Identity: How Black Youth are Influenced by the Food Spaces around them.” 2023 CRRES (Center for Research on Race & Ethnicity in Society) Research Symposium. Bloomington, Indiana.

Hernandez, G. (June 2023). “Food, Race, and Identity: How Urban Community Centers ‘Nourish’ Their Youth.” 2023 Association for the Study of Food and Society (ASFS) and the Agriculture, Food & Human Values Society (AFHVS) Conference: Knowing Food: Insights from Around the Table. Boston, Massachusetts.

Hernandez, G (November 2023). “Hearing the Souls of the Hungry: How Community Centers Uplift Their People.” 2023 AAA/CASCA (American Anthropological Association/ Canadian Anthropology Society/ Société Canadienne D’anthropologie) Conference: TRANSITIONS. Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

Hernandez, G (November 2024). “Nourishing Identities: Afro-Latinx/Latinx Youth Perspectives on “Good Meals” in Black-Dominated Urban Farming.” 2024 AAA (American Anthropological Association) Conference: PRAXIS. Tampa, Florida, United States.

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HONORS AND AWARDS:

Eugene Cota-Robles Fellowship (\$71,569)	September 2024-
Felege Hiywot Center Summer Research Grant (\$5000)	June 2022- July 2022
Ball State University Honors College, <i>Student</i>	August 2017- May 2021
William Moser & Ball State Better Business Bureau Scholarship (\$5,000)	August 2020
Frank O'Bannon Grant (\$20,305)	August 2019
John and Esther Findling Class of 1933 Scholarship (\$5,000)	August 2019
Evan Bayh 21 st Century Scholarship (\$41,200)	August 2017- May 2021
Tipton Foundation Scholarship (\$400)	August 2017

AFFILIATIONS & TRAINING

Graduate Student Association, Secretary/ Webmaster	October 2024-Present
Anthropology Graduate Student Association, DEI Chair	August 2022- May 2023
Anthropology Graduate Student Association, <i>Member</i>	August 2021- May 2023
LinkedIn Learning LinkedIn, <i>Certification</i>	April 2020
LinkedIn Communication Foundations, <i>Certification</i>	April 2020
Cvent Supplier Network, <i>Certification</i>	October 2019
Latinx Student Union (LSU), <i>Financial Advisor</i>	August 2018- May 2021
Latin Student Union (LSU), <i>Student Government Representative</i>	August 2018- December 2018
Student Government Association (SGA), <i>Senator</i>	August 2018- December 2018
ServSafe: Food Protection Manager, <i>Certification</i>	March 2018- March 2023
Latin Student Union (LSU), <i>Member</i>	August 2017- May 2018
Asian American Student Association (AASA), <i>Member</i>	August 2017- May 2021
Spectrum, <i>Marketing Chair</i>	November 2017- May 2018
Spectrum, <i>Member</i>	August 2017- May 2021
Black Student Association (BSA), <i>Member</i>	August 2017- May 2021
Hospitality and Food Management Association (HFMA), <i>Member</i>	August 2017- May 2021
Student Life, <i>Member</i>	August 2017- May 2021

SKILLS

Technology: Microsoft Office, Google Forms, Apple and Windows Operating Systems, Adobe