

JESSICA LIPAZ

EDUCATOR, COMMUNITY-BUILDER, WRITER, CREATIVE

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ATTRIBUTES

- Personable and warm
- Leader and advocate
- Open communicator
- Community-oriented
- Curious listener
- Team builder

SYSTEMS

- Microsoft Office
- Google Suite
- Project Management
- Data Analysis
- Content Management
- InDesign

CONFERENCES

- Graduate Student Conference of Philosophy and Education:
 - NYC, New York 2022
 - Columbus, Ohio 2023
- Presented original research and poetry influenced by the study of John Dewey, Bell Hooks and Audre Lorde.

INTERESTS

- Event Organizing
- Podcasting
- Storytelling
- Philosophy
- Spirituality
- Zines

EDUCATION

Teachers College, Columbia University

August 2021-May 2023

Philosophy and Education MA

- Relevant Coursework:
 - Exploring Life Stories through Art, Development of Creativity, Aesthetics and Education, Art of Contemporary Blackness, Teaching and Learning with Land, Feminist Pedagogies*

University of Wisconsin-Madison

August 2017-May 2021

Double Major: Education Policy Studies and Philosophy

- Dean's List, Cumulative GPA 3.85

Universidad Antonio de Nebrija

January 2020-March 2020

Semester Abroad

- Studied Spanish language and intercultural communication in Madrid, Spain.

FELLOWSHIPS

Social Justice and Media Arts Educator

August 2021-May 2023

Aurthur Zankel Fellow, P.S. 187

- Create and facilitate a responsive media making curriculum for three 5th grade classes related to social justice issues and personal identity expression.
- Awarded the selective fellowship for two years to develop the project.

Media Research Laboratory Member

August 2021-May 2023

Media and Social Change Lab, Teachers College

- A hub for media creation and multimodal scholarship intended to spark social change.
- Conduct collaborative research that aims to improve accessibility in education through multi-sensory experiences and exploring uses of different media platforms.

Graduate Research Assistant

January 2023-May 2023

Digital Futures Institute, Teachers College

- Work study position awarded to research and explore the role of gesture in education, technology, and art alongside a core faculty advisor.
- Expand literature review, experiment with non-traditional facilitation methods.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Creative & Essay Writing Instructor

May 2023-Present

Lyric Hyperion Theater, LA; Writopia Labs, NYC

- Facilitate play-based creative writing workshops for intergenerational groups.
- Partnered with schools and community members, led in-person and online.

Outreach and Engagement Member

January 2021-August 2022

Madison Public Philosophy

- Trained to facilitate philosophical dialogue using the Philosophy for Children dialectic method to increase public engagement with philosophical inquiry.
- Participated in weekly community discourse about educational practices.

State News Editor, Daily News Writer

August 2017-May 2021

The Daily Cardinal Newspaper

- Managed, scheduled, and taught a team of over 20 writers with ranging experience levels on finding, pitching, and producing news stories for daily word count.
- Covered live events and conducted interviews across the state and at the Capitol.

Juvenile Innocence & Fair Sentencing Intern

Summer 2019

Loyola Law School, JIFS Clinic

- Supported lawyers efforts to overturn life without parole sentences for clients convicted as juveniles, develops relationships to build social histories
- Participated in "Journalism Law School" fellowship to improve reporting accuracy.