

**Allie R. Lopez**  
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## **EDUCATION**

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**PhD Candidate | US History** PhD Expected August 2025  
Baylor University  
Advisor: Dr. Robert Elder  
Comprehensive Exam Fields:  
    US post-1877, African American History, African Diaspora

**BA History, English, *Summa Cum Laude*** May 2020  
**Minor: Spanish**  
University of North Alabama  
GPA: 4.0  
Outstanding English Graduate  
Outstanding History Graduate  
Outstanding Academic Achievement, UNA Honors College

## **AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS**

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Graduate Student Fellowship, Baylor University 2020 – present  
OAH John Higham Research Fellowship 2024  
AHA Coley Student Research Award 2024  
Graduate School Travel Award, Baylor University 2023, 2024  
History Department Travel Award, Baylor University 2023, 2024  
Conyers Graduate Scholar, Baylor University 2023 – 2024  
Summersell Center for the Study of the South Travel Grant 2023

## **SELECTED TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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Instructor of Record January 2024 – present  
*HIS 1300, US in Global Perspective, Social Movements*

Teaching Assistant August 2020 – May 2023  
*HIS 1300, US in Global Perspective, Food History*  
*HIS 1300, US in Global Perspective, The Transatlantic Slave Trade*  
*HIS 1300, US in Global Perspective, Revolutions!*  
*HIS 2366, US History Survey, 1865–Present*

## **ACADEMIC TALKS**

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HIS 5360, African American History February 2024  
Discussion: Publishing for the Public

HIS 2390, Women and Gender November 2023  
Discussion: Women, Race, and Rights

HIS 2395, Historiography November 2023  
Discussion: Things You Can Do with Your History Major

HIS 1300, Women in War April 2023  
Lecture: Freedom, at Home and Abroad? Women and the Civil Rights Movement

HIS 4375, American Civil Rights Movement November 2021  
Discussion: Keisha Blain's *Until I Am Free*

## **SELECTED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

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Editorial Assistant August 2023 – January 2024  
*Fides et Historia*

Book Indexer August 2022  
*Homer in Wittenberg*, William P. Weaver

Transcription Editor June 2021 – August 2021  
Baylor Institute for Oral History

Student Research Assistant May 2019 – March 2020  
Civil Rights Struggle in the Shoals Project, UNA

Writing Consultant August 2017 – January 2020  
Center for Writing Excellence, UNA

## **CONFERENCES**

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### *Panels Organized*

Southern Historical Association November 2023

- Panel: Grassroots Resistance in the Jim Crow South
- “The Injustice that Permeates: Rural Black Women and Dispossession in Alabama, 1950-1967”

Organization of American Historians [accepted] April 2025

- Panel: The Freedom Struggle in the Rural South

### *Papers Presented*

Agricultural History Society June 2024

- “The Function of Dispossession: Farming and Fear in Rural Alabama during the Civil Rights Era”

Alabama Historical Association April 2024

- “Alabama’s Reverse Freedom Rides: White Citizens’ Councils and Forced Migration in 1962”

Conference on Faith and History April 2022

- Presenter: “Southern Women in Black and White: Writing Race in 1954” and “Spiritual Stories: Faith and Resistance in Oral History”
- Commenter: Black American Political, Civic, and Religious Leadership Panel

Alabama Association of Historians Conference

January 2020

- “In Their Own Words: The Shoals’ Reaction to *Brown v Board*”

## **PUBLICATIONS**

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### Peer-Reviewed Articles

- “Segregationist Schemes: The Citizens’ Council, Reverse Freedom Rides, and Opposition to Welfare in Alabama, 1962–1968,”  
*Alabama Review* Forthcoming

### Public-Facing Articles

- *TIME*, Made by History  
[“The Growing Shortage of Rural Hospitals”](#) 2024
- *TIME*, Made by History  
[“The Origin of the ‘Welfare Queen’ Myth”](#) 2024
- *TIME*, Made by History  
Co-author, [“The History of Rural Black Land Loss”](#) 2023
- *Patheos*, Anxious Bench  
[“Everyday People in Everyday Places”](#) 2023
- [“The Call to Comprehensive Justice”](#) 2022

### Encyclopedia Entries

- *Encyclopedia of Alabama* July 2024  
“Reverse Freedom Rides”

### Book Reviews

- *Agricultural History* Forthcoming  
*Bayou Harvest: Subsistence Practice in Coastal Louisiana*  
Helen Regis and Shana Walton
- *Fides et Historia* Forthcoming  
*We Will Be Free: The Life and Faith of Sojourner Truth*,  
Nancy Koester
- *Sound Historian* 2022  
*Lynched: The Power of Memory in a Culture of Terror*,  
Angela D. Sims
- Society for US Intellectual History 2021  
*Birth Control Battles: How Race and Class Divided American Religion*,  
Melissa J. Wilde

## **PUBLIC HISTORY**

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Guest on *Alabama History Podcast*

April 2024

- “Allie Lopez on the AHA 2024 Coley Research Award”

Waco History Assistant

August 2021 – August 2023

Waco History App (<https://wacohistory.org/items/browse/>)

- “Evangelia Settlement”
- “Mercy Dee Walton”
- Co-author, “Horace Sherman Miller”
- “The Harley Berg Show”
- “Karem Shrine Temple”
- “Urban Renewal”
- “Waco Hall”
- “Shep Mullens”
- “St. James United Methodist Church”
- “Freedom Fountain”
- “Juneteenth”
- “Dr. Mae Jackson”
- “Monnig’s Department Store”
- “Lake Waco Murders”
- “Waco Family Medicine”

Oral History Project Coordinator

May 2021 – September 2022

Waco Family Medicine

Baylor Institute for Oral History

UNA Oral History Project, Interviewer & Transcriber

May 2017

New Bethel Missionary Baptist Church, Memphis, TN

## **SELECTED SERVICE**

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Baylor University Graduate Student Representative 2024 – present

Library and ITS Committee

History Department Mentor for Incoming Students 2024 – present

Baylor University Departmental Representative 2023 – 2024

for Incoming Students and the Graduate Student Association

Baylor University Graduate Student Association 2023 – 2024

Academic Affairs Committee

Baylor University History Department Graduate Academic Chair 2023 – 2024

Children’s Ministry Teacher 2023 – present

St. Alban’s Episcopal Church

XC Assistant Coach 2023 – present

Live Oak Classical School

## **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

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Dissertation Writing Lab, Baylor University 2024

Scholarship of Teaching & Learning Sessions 2024

**MEMBERSHIPS**

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Southern Historical Association  
Alabama Historical Association  
Agricultural History Society

**REFERENCES**

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Available upon request