

## **Ethan L. Gonzales**

Ph.D. Candidate

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### **EDUCATION**

Ph.D. History, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA (August 2021-[expected] May 2027)

- Comprehensive Exam (June 2023) Fields: Early American History, 1588-1815; Nineteenth-Century United States, 1815-1877; American State & Society.
- Dissertation Committee: Dr. Christa Dierksheide; Dr. S. Max Edelson; Dr. Alan Taylor

M.A. History, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA (August 2021-May 2023)

- Thesis: “‘The English Papers bring their Lies very fresh’: Thomas Jefferson, Information Warfare, and the Early American State in Europe, 1783-93”

B.A. History, *summa cum laude* with departmental honors, Oakland University, Rochester, MI, (September 2018-April 2020)

### **PUBLICATIONS**

“Espionage in the American Revolution,” *Encyclopedia Virginia* (forthcoming late 2024)

“Thomas Jefferson: American Bibliophile,” Oakland University, September 2019,  
<https://library.oakland.edu/collections/special/exhibits/Jefferson/index.html>

### **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

Paper, “‘The English Papers bring their Lies very fresh’: Thomas Jefferson, Information Warfare, and the Early American State in Europe, 1783-1793,” *Communication and Power in Early America*, The Institute for Thomas Paine Studies, Iona University, New Rochelle, NY, October 6, 2023.

Paper, “Instructing the Nation: The Utilitarianism of Early American Literature,” Annual American Studies Conference, Oakland University, Rochester, MI, March 2020 (accepted but canceled due to COVID-19).

Paper, “The Politics of Power and Precedent: John Adams, George Washington, and the First Federal Congress,” Phi Alpha Theta Regional Conference, Rochester, MI, March 2020 (accepted but canceled due to COVID-19).

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

HIST 2212: Maps in World History (Graduate Teaching Assistant under S. Max Edelson, Fall 2023).

HIUS 2051: War and the Making of America to 1900 (Graduate Teaching Assistant under Elizabeth Varon, Spring 2023).

HIUS 2001: American History to 1865 (Graduate Teaching Assistant under Alan Taylor, Fall 2022).

**ACADEMIC HONORS/AWARDS**

Junior Fellowship, 2023-24, University of Virginia Society of Fellows

- Nominated by Senior Fellow, Dr. Alan Taylor

**OTHER EXPERIENCE**

Archival Intern, Oakland University Archives and Special Collections, July-August 2019.

- Studied archival management and preservation under Dr. Dominique Daniel. I stored, cataloged, and helped preserve a number of the archive's items. My internship culminated in the online publication of a research article covering the material history of an 1800 edition of Thomas Jefferson's *Notes on the State of Virginia* and a letter Jefferson wrote to a New York bookseller in 1798.

Judge Captain, Virginia National History Day State Competition, Virginia Museum of History and Culture, Richmond, VA, April 2022.

Judge Captain, Virginia National History Day Regional Competition, Mary Baldwin University, Staunton, VA, February 2022.

Judge, Michigan National History Day Regional Competition, Oakland University, March 2020.

**PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

American Historical Association, 2017-present

Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture, 2018-present

Phi Alpha Theta National History Honor Society, 2019

Society for Historians of the Early American Republic, 2018-present

Waterford Historical Society, board member at-large, 2018

**LANGUAGES**

Fluency in English

Limited Working Proficiency in German

Elementary Proficiency in French