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**Education**

B.A. (English and history), University of Florida

Relevant Coursework: Advanced Seminar Poetry Writing (twice), Senior Advanced Poetry Workshop (twice), Rhetoric in Contemporary Poetry, Advanced Seminar Fiction Writing, Writing Childhood

**Honors**

2023 Honorable Mention for *Lyric Magazine*’s College Poetry Contest, “Paul Durand-Ruel upon First Seeing *Olympia* in the Salon”

2022 Finalist for the *Atlanta Review*’s Dan Veach Prize for Younger Poets, “The Berlin Candy Bomber”

2022 Samuel “Bud” Shortstein Creative Writing Award ($1000) for *A New Stonehenge* (micro-chapbook)

**Publications**

“The Seasons” in *I-70 Review*, fall 2021, under alias Alex Manuel

“An Oasis” in *I-70 Review*, fall 2021, under alias Alex Manuel

“My Mother’s Middle-School Yearbook” in *Hawai’i Pacific Review*, Jan. 2021, under alias Alex Manuel

**Edited**

*Tea Literary & Arts Magazine* Volume 24 (2022), editor in chief

*Clinch Literary Magazine* Issue 2 (2022), associate/poetry editor (selected/edited poems and designed issue & website)

*Tea Literary & Arts Magazine* Volume 23 (2021), prose editor

*Tea Literary & Arts Magazine* Volume 22 (2020), prose staffer

**Professional Service**

Poet in residence, Harn Museum of Art, 2022

Editorial, design, and production intern, University Press of Florida, 2020 (Aug.-Dec.)

**Notable Talks and Readings**

The Harn Museum of Art, ekphrastic poetry reading, Dec. 2022

*Tea Literary & Arts Magazine*’s Guest Reader Series, introduction to Debora Greger, Dec. 2021

**Leadership**

2021-2022 *Tea Literary & Arts Magazine*, president

2021-2022 *Tea Literary & Arts Magazine*, editor in chief

2020-2021 *Tea Literary & Arts Magazine*, treasurer

2020 *Tea Literary & Arts Magazine*, interim secretary (Aug.-Dec.)

2019-2022 PorColombia (UF Branch), student ambassador

**Academic Honors**

2022 Sigma Tau Delta (the International English Honors Society) invitation and acceptance

2022 Sydney ElDeiry—under my supervision and nomination—selected as 2021-22 Member of the Year at UF’s Student Activities and Involvement Awards Ceremony

2020 Dean’s List [>3.75 GPA], fall semester

2020 Dean’s List [>3.75 GPA], spring semester

2019 Dean’s List [>3.75 GPA], fall semester

2019 Bright Futures Scholarship, effective through 2023

**Research**

“Traveling Libraries at the Turn of the 20th Century: The Seaboard Air Line Railway’s ‘Book Bags’ and Andrew Carnegie Traveling School Libraries.” advised by Professor Sean Adams at the University of Florida, 2022

“Rap and Cubans: on the Importance of Maroon Strength Identity Recognition in Cuban Adolescent Males,” unpublished independent study, 2017-18

**Languages**

English, native proficiency

Spanish, native proficiency

Portuguese, limited working proficiency