

Catherine Hill

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Education

University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

2025 - present

Graduate Student

Department of History

Advisors: Dr. Pernille Røge and Dr. Gregor Thum

University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

2024

B.A. History, Summa Cum Laude

B.A. French and Francophone Studies, Cum Laude

Minor Anthropology

University of Florida Honors College

International Scholars Program

Publications

"Performative Nationalism: Belgian state-building after 1830"

May 2024

Honors Thesis: Received Highest Honors

Advisor: Dr. Anton Matytsin

Published in *ALPATA* (UF History Department's Undergraduate Journal)

Spring 2023

Familiarization of Railroads in 1850s American Life

Scholarships

World History Center

Summer 2026

University of Pittsburgh

Early Modern Worlds Initiative

University of Pittsburgh

Pittsburgh Department of History

Summer Research Funding

Bridgett Phillips Award

Spring 2023

Research Scholarship awarded by UF's Department of History

Conducted Archival Research in Brussels, Belgium

Prestigious Memberships

Pi Delta Phi

Spring 2023-Present

National French Honor Society

Phi Kappa Beta

Spring 2022-Present

Liberal Arts and Sciences Honors Society

Phi Alpha Theta

Fall 2020-Present

History Honors Society

Involvement and Leadership

Dietrich School of Arts & Sciences GSO, Vice President

Fall 2026-Present

- Maintained communication between faculty and GSOs
- Coordinated Grad Expo for student presentations

History Department GSO, President

Fall 2026-Present

- Maintained communication between faculty and graduate students
- Assisted graduate students in problem solving

Trans-imperial History Reading Group, Graduate student participant

- Met monthly with professors and graduate students
- Collaborated in organizing the Transimperial History Conference

Three Rivers Conference Organizing Committee, Graduate student participant	Fall 2025-Present
• Collaborated with 5 graduate students • Organized budget and coordinated finances	
Grand Narratives Reading Group, Graduate student participant	Fall 2025-Present
• Monthly book club with Graduate students and Professors • Discussed topics related to Early Modern Worlds	
Prix Goncourt UF Selection Committee, student participant	Spring 2024
• Debated and engaged with eight other students • Critically read four French novels • Selected novel for Villa Albertine New York Conference	
ALPATA Undergraduate Journal, Chief editor	July 2023-June 2024
• Edited and verified papers to a publication standard • Led team of twenty undergraduate students • Communicated with faculty advisor and student authors • Established the journal's social media presence on Instagram	
ALPATA Undergraduate Journal, Editor	December 2021- June 2023
• Edited and verified papers to publication standard • Engaged with authors and fellow editors	

Experience

TAPIF, Académie de Normandie, English Language Teaching Assistant, Deauville, France	October 2024 to May 2025
• Designed course curriculum for students (age 11 to 20) • Hosted language discussions and engagement sessions for students	
University of Florida, Inquire Capitalism Research Intern, Gainesville, FL	Spring 2023
• Faculty: Dr. Sean Adams and Dr. Paula de la Cruz Fernández • Utilized Excel and Omeka operating systems • Conducted an independent research project on Gainesville's automobile district	
Matheson Museum Archives, Cataloging Intern, Gainesville, FL	Spring 2023
• Operated PastPerfect software for cataloging artifacts • Archived and organized donated materials	
Historic Haile Homestead, Volunteer Docent, Gainesville, FL	November 2022-December 2023
• Guided tours at the Homestead to the public • Interpreted house history	
Matheson Museum Archives, Research Volunteer, Gainesville, FL	February 2022 – December 2022
• Indexed and catalogued Murray Laurie's Research Gift • Archived information for public access (digitally and physically)	

Awards

CLAS Excellence Award Finalist	April 2024
Nominated by UF's Department of History	
Michel Hauptman Medal	April 2024
Awarded by the French and Francophone Studies Department	
Deans Medal	May 2024
College of Liberal Arts and Sciences	

Languages

English (native)

French (C1)

German (Beginner)