

TERRA SAGE WALLIN

RELIGIOUS STUDIES MA STUDENT



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SUMMARY

A passionate, dedicated, and motivated scholar pursuing a Master of Arts in Religious Studies. Research interests include Traditional Ecological Knowledge, Religion and Ecology, Native American and Indigenous Studies, Environmental Studies, Indigenous Philosophies, Sociolinguistics, Contemporary Christian Thought, American Christianity and Culture, and Political Science.

EDUCATION

University of California, Santa Barbara - Santa Barbara, CA

2020 - 2022

Bachelor of Arts - Environmental Studies and Philosophy

- An Environmental Studies and Philosophy double major with coursework in the linguistics minor
- Co-creator and two-time facilitator of ES 194TK, a two-unit undergraduate-led community lab course offered as an extension of Margaret McMurtrey's ES 193TK course. The course offers hands-on learning in Indigenous Environmental Education & Traditional Ecological Knowledge in Indigenous garden spaces on UCSB's campus.

Napa Valley College - Napa, CA

2019 - 2020

- Environmental Studies & Philosophy double major
- IGETC General Education requirements completed

University of Wisconsin-Madison - Madison, WI

2018-2019

- Environmental Studies & Philosophy double major
- General Education coursework and major coursework

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WORK EXPERIENCE

Fusion Academy Santa Barbara - Santa Barbara, CA
Homework Café Teacher/Mentor

February 2023 - Present

- Group facilitation in the Homework Café; working with neurodivergent students
- Creating and facilitating social programming for middle schoolers and high schoolers
- Teaching social emotional learning and executive function assistance
- Assisting students in completion of independent work
- Creation of processes and procedures for students and staff to ensure efficiency

EXTRACURRICULARS

TEK Lab Mentorship Program - Santa Barbara, CA
Co-Founder, Mentor

2022 - Present

- Mentorship of the teaching team for ES 194TK in logistics - funding, GOLD, etc.
- Coaching undergraduate students to be leaders in the student-led lab course
- Facilitating processes and procedures for teaching team transitions

American Indian & Indigenous Collective Symposium - Santa Barbara, CA
Panelist

April 2023

- Symposium theme: Land Back/Language Back
- "Rematriation - Land Protectors"

American Literature Association Symposium - Santa Fe, NM
Panelist, Speaker

October 2022

- Symposium theme: The Historical Imagination in American Literature
- "Listening to the Speaking Earth - Conversations with Plants and Creative Non-Fiction"
- "Place-Based Learning and Academic Indigenization - Leanne Betasamosake Simpson's Land as Pedagogy"

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AWARDS, HONORS, AND CERTIFICATIONS

48th Annual Harvest Dinner Community Contribution Award

November 2023

UC Santa Barbara - Native Education - AIICRC - AIISA - AIICAC

- Honored for co-creation and continued mentorship of ES 194TK course

Mental Health Basics Certification

December 2021

UCSB Health & Wellness

- UCSB's Thriving Initiative: Thriving, Not Just Surviving

REFERENCES

Margaret McMurtrey

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