Meredith Whitaker

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EDUCATION

The Ohio State University · MFA in Creative Writing, Creative Nonfiction specialization; GPA: 4.0 | Expected May 2028

The Ohio State University · BA in English, Creative Writing concentration | May 2024

Magna cum laude; Research Distinction in English (undergraduate thesis advised by Prof. Elissa Washuta)

PUBLICATIONS

"Review of Noah Kahan's Stick Season (We'll All Be Here Forever)." · CD92.9 FM Blog, July 2023

"Review of The Era of Discontent by Brianna Noll." · The Journal, vol. 45, no. 3, April 2022

EDITORIAL AND LITERARY LEADERSHIP

Creative Nonfiction Editor, The Journal · The Ohio State University | 2026–present

Associate Creative Nonfiction Editor, The Journal · The Ohio State University | 2025–2026

The Journal Representative · Association of Writers & Writing Programs (AWP) Annual Conference | March 2026

Represented the magazine at AWP 2026.

Vice President, Writers' Guild · The Ohio State University | Summer 2026–present

TEACHING AND WORKSHOPS

Graduate Teaching Associate, Department of English · The Ohio State University | Autumn 2025–present

Instructor, English 1110 (Autumn 2025; Spring 2026); Introduction to Creative Nonfiction (Autumn 2026). Scheduled: Intermediate Creative Nonfiction (Spring 2027).

Co-facilitator · **OSU Occupational Therapy Writing Workshop** | November 2026

Selected as one of three MFA facilitators for a paid interdisciplinary workshop.

READINGS AND CURATORIAL WORK

Reader · MFA Student–Faculty Reading | October 2026

Curator and host · "By Our Nature" Poetry Reading | Hopkins Hall Gallery / Urban Arts Space, September 16, 2026

ARTIST RESIDENCIES

Artist in Residence · Riga House · Columbus, Ohio | 2023

"888: The Written Tapestry": Developed a multidisciplinary installation exploring the relationship between visual art and creative nonfiction through original paintings and essays; exhibited the work publicly.

RESEARCH AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Graduate Research Associate, Department of English · The Ohio State University | Summer 2026; Spring 2027 (scheduled)

Developing a creative nonfiction craft encyclopedia as a departmental teaching and research resource.

Independent Study, Creative Nonfiction Craft Encyclopedia · Autumn 2026

Program Assistant, Kawsay Ukhunchay Andean and Amazonian Cultural Artifacts Research Collection · The Ohio State University | 2024

Research Assistant, Department of Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies · The Ohio State University | 2019

Assisted Dr. Cynthia Burack with research, outreach, and editorial work for a book project.

Founder and Student Leader, Student Alumni Mentorship Experience (S.A.M.E.) · OSU College of Social Work | 2020–2021

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Nominee, **Denney Award for Most Outstanding Graduating Senior** · Department of English, The Ohio State University | 2024

Recipient, **Whitten Andean & Amazonian Studies Scholarship Award** · Center for Latin American Studies, OSU | 2024

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

"ART-ificial: How to Write With AI (And Why)" · OSU interdisciplinary workshop, Artificial Intelligence in the Arts, Humanities, and Engineering | 2023