

Jillian Pignataro

PhD student at Northwestern University in the department of Slavic Languages and Literatures. Primary research interests include 19th century Russian literature and philosophy, Slavophilism, Russian religious and conservative thought, and aesthetics.

EDUCATION

Northwestern University, Evanston — *Master's Degree*

Fall 2019- Present

Defended my master's dissertation entitled "A Waterdrop Hollows a Stone not by Force but by Falling Often": Contrasting Grigoriev's Organic Criticism to Dostoevsky's Early and Late Aesthetic Thought" in fall 2021.

University of Illinois, Chicago — *Bachelor's Degree*

Spring 2014- Spring 2017

Graduated in Spring 2017 with a degree in Russian Languages and Literatures

WORK

Northwestern University, Evanston — *Teaching Assistant*

September 2020- present

Work as a TA for introductory Russian literature and Polish literature courses, leading discussion sections and grading assignments.

American Home, Vladimir, Russia — *ESL Language Instructor*

August 2017- July 2018; serendipity.american.home@gmail.com

Worked as an English instructor for B-II level classroom, creating all lesson plans from scratch as well as leading an advance English language discussion group. Taught approximately 140 students over a one-year period.

Upswing, Internet — *Online academic writing teacher*

Fall 2018- Winter 2021

Edited university-level papers covering a broad range of topics. Corrections included grammatical errors as well as conceptional concerns.

Educational Achievements

Member of the Association for Slavic, East European, & Eurasian Studies (ASEEES)

Member of the American Association for Teachers of Slavic and East European Languages (AATSEEL)

Participant in the Critical Language Scholarship (CLS) program for Russian- *Summer 2020*

Accepted into Indiana University's Summer Language Workshop for Russian- *Summer 2016*

Awarded American Council of Teachers of Russian Scholar Laureate Award- *Spring 2016*

Member of the National Society of Collegiate Scholars

Member of Phi Theta Kappa Honors Society

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GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Radulovacki Slavic Studies Fund-
Summer 2020

Critical Language Scholarship- *Summer 2020*

CIEE Study Abroad Grant- *Fall 2016*

FLAS Fellowship- *Summer 2016*

LANGUAGES

English (fluent)

Russian (advanced)

ACADEMIC ADVISORS

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