

# VALENTINA D'AGOSTINI

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## EDUCATION

**MA** from San Francisco State University, Comparative World Literature May 2023  
Thesis: *"Myth and the Dictator: Confronting Traumatic Histories through the Novel"*

Advisors: Dane Johnson, Alessia Mingrone

**BA** from Marymount Manhattan, English and World Literature May 2021  
Graduated on Dean's List  
Double Majored in Cinema, Television, and Emerging Media

## HONORS AND AWARDS

**Dean's List**, San Francisco State University 2022  
**Honor's Day Presenter**, Marymount Manhattan College 2021  
**The Transfer Dean's Scholarship**, Marymount Manhattan College 2018

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

**Stanford University**, Stanford, CA 2022  
• Summer Boost Tutor/Site Support Leader for Ravenswood Reads (research study on literacy among K-3rd grade students)

**Duisters Law**, Vista, CA 2020 to 2021  
• Researched California family case law for the attorneys on staff  
• Wrote briefs on researched topics pertaining to ongoing cases for the attorneys on staff to use in their arguments

**The Paley Center for Media**, New York City, NY 2019 to 2020  
• Researched media and academic works on CBS and the center as part of an ongoing archival project

**National Lampoon**, Los Angeles, CA /New York City, NY 2019  
• Transcribed the old magazine into a word document and kept track of articles that could be developed later  
• Researched background information on articles from the magazine in order to give context to the archive and keep it up to date

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

**San Francisco State University**, San Francisco State University Jan 2022 to Present  
**Graduate Teaching Associate**, Comparative World Literature

- Comparative World Literature 216: Telling Stories (Spring 2022) & 250: Myths of the World (Fall 2022)
- Developed quizzes, exams, and homework
- Lectured on topics in order to help students understand theoretical applications in Literature
- Graded assignments throughout the semester

## PUBLICATIONS

SFSU's ***Portals*** Graduate Journal, "Work In Progress"

MMC's ***The Zany Outcast***, "Why the Turkey Shouldn't be Pardoned"

## CONFERENCES

**Marymount Manhattan College Honor's Day 2021**, Presenter "Examining the Colonial Burden on Indigenous Relationships with Nature in *Men of Maize*"

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Comparative Literature Association, 2021-Present

Modern Languages Association, 2022-Present

National Italian American Foundation, 2022-Present

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

**Conference Support Organizer**  
The Literary History of the Swing, SFSU, 2022

**Editor for:**  
SFSU's Portals Graduate Journal  
MMC's The Monitor  
MMC's The Zany Outcast (satirical paper)

**Writer for:**  
SFSU's Portals Graduate Journal  
MMC's The Zany Outcast

## **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

**The Los Angeles Latino International Film Festival**  
[Volunteer Shift Leader], [Los Angeles, CA], 2018- 2019

**San Diego Italian Film Festival**  
[Volunteer Film Viewer, Writer], [San Diego, CA], 2018

## **LANGUAGES**

**English:** Native Language

**Spanish:** Intermediate Listener, Novice Speaker, Advanced Reading and Writing

**Italian:** Intermediate Listener, Novice Speaker, Advanced Reading and Writing

**French:** Beginner Listener, Beginner Speaker, Intermediate Reading and Writing

## **OTHER**

Certificated Substitute Teacher  
U.S. Citizen