

# Maya Reda-Williams

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## **Education**

2021 Bachelors of Science in Anthropology and Museum Studies from Central Washington University, Minor in Philosophy  
*magna cum laude*

## **Awards/Grants/Honors**

2021 Central Washington University College of the Sciences Student Achievement Award

2020 Pete and Sandra Barlow Award: \$1000

- Awarded through the Central Washington University Department of Anthropology

2020 College of the Sciences Summer Undergraduate Research Experience Grant: \$1500

- Granted through the Central Washington University College of The Sciences

2018-2021 Central Washington University Dean's List

## **Honor Societies**

2019-Present Phi Sigma Tau: International Honors Society for Philosophers

## **Volunteer Experience**

2021 CWU Wildcat Neighborhood Farm, Ellensburg, WA

- Created new farm plots
- Weeded

2020 School of Acrobatics and New Circus Arts (SANCA), Seattle, WA

- Virtual volunteer experience
- Gave feedback on virtual classes

2016-2017 Sitka Community Library, Sitka, AK

- Catalogued inventory and organized shelves
- Organized donations to and from the library

## **Work/Teaching Experience**

2017-2019 Coach at Sitka Cirque Circus School, Sitka, Alaska

- Planned diverse classes for students ages 3-65
- Facilitated a safe and open environment for exercise and self-expression free of gender norms, biases, and binaries for students of all ages and backgrounds

- Taught aerial circus technique, anatomy, health, body positivity, and body movement
- 2017-2019 Administrator at Sitka Cirque Circus School, Sitka, Alaska
- Created and maintained filing system for the business
  - Wrote and distributed monthly newsletters
  - Recruited new students
  - Community outreach: Performance opportunities, community collaboration, and enrichment/education through schools
- 2019 Camp Counselor and Educator at Sitka Sound Science Center, Sitka, Alaska
- Guided small groups of students ages 6-12 in activities and scientific discovery
  - Encouraged holistic understandings of how science and culture interact
  - Taught sustainable energy and critical thinking surrounding climate change and human/environment interaction

### **Research Experience**

- 2020 Independent Study with Dr. Lene Pedersen: ‘Indigenous Artistic Expression Among Alaska Natives’ - Winter Quarter CWU 2020
- 2020 Independent Study with Dr. Rodrigo Rentería-Valencia: ‘Tlingit Cultural Ecology and Identity: Past and Present’ - Winter Quarter CWU 2020

### **Professional Development**

- 2019 American Anthropological Association Conference, Vancouver, BC, Canada
- 2020 Central Washington University Teaching Assistant for Dr. Lene Pedersen: ‘Cultures of Southeast Asia and Oceania’ - Spring Quarter CWU 2020
- Assisted in the creation of assignments and proofreading/aiding students with written assignments

### **Languages**

English: fluent  
 Spanish: semi-fluent  
 Tlingit (Indigenous language): beginner

### **References**

- Dr. Marwa Ghazali - Central Washington University Assistant Professor  
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- Dr. Rodrigo Rentería-Valencia - Central Washington University Assistant Professor  
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- Dr. Steven Hackenberger - Central Washington University Professor  
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- Dr. Jessica Mayhew - Central Washington University Associate Professor, Primate Behavior and Ecology Program Director  
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