

Editors'

Biographies

Kieran Artley '25

Kieran is a Junior from Brookfield, Wisconsin. He is currently studying History and Economics. Kieran joined *Inter-Text* because of their interest in editing and the badgering from Professor Rudi Batzell and Aaron Brand. He spends his free time fencing, playing various video games, visiting the gaming club, and engaging with a card game related to spells and collecting.

Em Allen '25

Em is a Junior from Orem, Utah. They are currently studying Art History and Museum Studies. Em was published in *Inter-Text* last year and was invited back as an editor this year, and finds it an exciting way to gain valuable experience and develop useful skills. Outside of *Inter-Text*, Em is interested in museum curation, currently working at the Swedish American Museum in Andersonville. Em is also interested in queer studies and issues of representation.

Aaron Brand '24

Aaron is a Senior from Cool, California. He is currently studying History and Philosophy. Aaron has been published in *Inter-Text* multiple times and has worked on the editing team in prior years. He joined the journal to improve his experience in editing. Aaron is interested in Lefty causes and the advancement of historical understanding.

Drew Carlson '26

Drew is a Sophomore from Gilbert, Arizona. They are currently studying Secondary Education and History while getting a minor in Politics. They joined *Inter-Text* because an email told them to. Outside of the journal, they spend their days listening to music and DnD podcasts, and reading about political conspiracies.

Sebastian Ellis '26

Sebastian is a Sophomore from Hawthorn Woods, Illinois. He is currently studying History and Art History and pursuing a minor in Museum Studies. This is Sebastian's first year with the journal, and he joined because he enjoys writing and wants to improve his personal writing skills. Outside *Inter-Text*, Sebastian is an avid amateur historian and antique dealer, scouring the Chicagoland area for lost treasures.

Sawyer Kuzma '26

Sawyer is a Sophomore from LaSalle, Illinois. They are majoring in Environmental Studies and Sociology & Anthropology. They joined *Inter-Text* to gain experience working on an academic journal and to learn more about the diversity of humanities research at the College. Outside of the journal, Sawyer is a tutor at the Writing Center and a member of the Lake Forest College Concert Band.

Isaiah Moonlight '25

Moonlight is a Junior from Albuquerque, New Mexico. He is currently studying Biology and Philosophy. He joined *Inter-Text* to engage with the social sciences and humanities from an editorial perspective, learn new skills, join a wonderful community, and help to showcase the exceptional works of Lake Forest students. He is interested in the human endeavor of knowledge. He is a member of Nu Rho Psi, Philosophy club, Student Ambassadors, among others.

Michelle Paddon-Jones '25

Michelle is a Junior from St. Charles, Illinois. She is currently studying International Relations and Sociology & Anthropology and a minor in History. This is her first year as an editor with the journal after gaining an interest in the process. Beyond *Inter-Text*, Michelle is a member of the Women's Swim and Dive Team at the College.

Claire Pardus '23

Claire is a recent Alumni from Gurnee, Illinois. During her time at the college, she studied English with a writing emphasis and a minor in Communication. Claire continued working with the journal past graduation to stay involved with Lake Forest College's social sciences and explore opportunities to get personal academic work published. Currently, Claire works full-time as a Marketing Coordinator, creating social media content for email marketing, cultivating influencer relationships, and event management. In her spare time, Claire enjoys writing fiction and OP-Ed pieces and spending time with her two cats.

Julieta Rodarte '26

Juli is a Junior from Vernon Hills, Illinois. They are currently studying History and Elementary Education. They joined *Inter-Text* because Professor Batzell made it sound interesting, and they wanted to join a collaborative group on campus that involved more academic-related work. They like writing fictional stories, listening to music chronically, reading and watching videos about niche historical topics, and drawing.

M. Stock '25

M. is a Junior from Wellesley, Massachusetts. They are currently studying History. M. joined their friends working with the journal and wanted to be more involved. Outside of the journal, M. is a member of the Clio Society, art club, gaming club, and Hillel. In their spare time, they enjoy drawing and painting, playing video games, and reading.