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EDUCATION	University of California, Santa Barbara	Exp. 2027
	<i>Doctorate of Philosophy in Political Science, Emphasis in Black Studies</i>	
	University of California, Santa Barbara	2023
	<i>Master of Arts in Political Science</i>	
	California State University, Bakersfield	2020
	<i>Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, Minor in Philosophy</i>	
PUBLICATIONS	Gaines-Herrera, K. (2026). "Hearing my people, but not seeing my people:" Boundaries of Blackness on TikTok. <i>Social Media + Society</i>	
	Gaines, K., Lien, P.-T. (2024). Ethnic nationalism and support for the Black Lives Matter movement among Black and Asian Americans. <i>Journal of Race, Ethnicity, and Politics</i>	
PUBLIC WRITING	Gaines, K., Lien, P.-T. (2025). How ethnic nationalism can help explain Black and Asian American support for Black Lives Matter. <i>LSE US Politics and Policy Blog</i>	
WORK IN PROGRESS	1. Dissemination and Disavowal: The Memeification of Black Nationalist Rhetoric	
	2. They Know What it Means: Black Millennials, Generation Z, and the Independent Party	
	3. Disillusionment Reconsidered: Examining the Pathways to Black Nationalism	
	4. The Transcendental Logic of Racism with Christopher McAuley	
	5. "Solamente Peligro y Destrucción:" Carbon Storage Permitting and Environmental Justice Failure in the United States with Denis Lomov	
TALKS AND WORKSHOPS	Key: † Presenter ‡ Discussant * Chair	
	Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting †‡	2026
	UCSB Environmental Politics Workshop †	
	UCSB Political Science Colloquium †	
	American Political Science Association Annual Meeting †	2025
	UCSB Political Science Colloquium †	
	Archives Unbound: Cedric and Elizabeth Robinson Conference †	2024
	Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting †	2023
	American Political Science Association Annual Meeting †	
	University of California, Santa Barbara (Guest Lecture)	2021
	Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting †	2020
	California State University, Bakersfield (Guest Lecture)	

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS	UCSB Political Science Summer Research Grant –\$2,500	2026
	APSA Status Committee on Disability in the Discipline —\$1,000	2026
	UCSB Political Science Graduate Student Grant — \$1,400	2025
	University of California Academic Senate Doctoral Grant — \$1,500	2025
	Kennedy/Graves Award, UCSB — \$1,000	2025
	Doctoral Scholars Fellowship, UCSB — \$24,000 (x3 years)	2020

AFFILIATED RESEARCH	Graduate Student Researcher - Qualitative Lead	
	Principal Investigator: Dr. Gaye Theresea Johnson	
	Blum Center on Poverty, Inequality, and Democracy	
	Research Assistant	
	Principal Investigator: Dr. AJ Rice	
	Project: <i>Tracing the Takeover: Education Reform and the Politics of Racialization</i>	

TEACHING	As Instructor	
	Introduction to Political Philosophy	
	As Teaching Assistant	
	Introduction to Political Philosophy (x5)	
	Asian American Politics (x2)	
	US Minority Politics	
	Black Political Thought	
	American Foreign Policy	
	Social Stratification	
	Teaching Assistant Training and Practicum (co-developed the course as Lead TA)	

AWARDS	Lead Teaching Assistant, UCSB	2024–2025
	B.A. Magna Cum Laude, CSUB	2020
	Dr. Charles McCall Award, CSUB	2020

SERVICE	Service to the Discipline	
	APSA Status Committee on Disability in the Discipline	2026
	Politics of Race, Immigration, and Ethnicity UCSB Conference Committee	2026
	Referee for Race and Social Problems	

Service to the University		
Contract Action Team Member and Department Steward, UAW 4811		2025–2026
Lead Teaching Assistant, Department of Political Science, UCSB		2024–2025
Social Chair, Political Science Graduate Student Association, UCSB		2024–2026
Latino Politics Faculty Search Committee, UCSB		2023
President, Political Science Graduate Student Association, UCSB		2023–2024
Diversity Committee, Department of Political Science, UCSB		2022–2025

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