

# OLIVIA WOLFORD

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## EDUCATION

### University of Maryland, College Park

August 2019- Present

Master of Applied Anthropology,  
Environment concentration

### Texas A&M University

August 2014-August 2018

B.S in Environmental Studies  
Minor in Climate Change

## RESEARCH +

## PROFESSIONAL INTERESTS

Advancing the use of social science in environmental decision-making; Human-wildlife interactions + management; Environmental justice; Sustainability education; Science journalism + communication

## SKILLS

- Public Speaking + Presentation
- Survey Design
- Qualitative Research collection
- Elementary ArcGIS experience
- Intermediate Spanish speaking and writing
- Microsoft Office Software proficiency

## EXPERIENCE

### GRADUATE TEACHING ASSISTANT

Environmental Science and Policy Program, University of Maryland  
August 2019- Present

Leads three discussion sections of approx. 20 undergraduates each for Intro to Environmental Science in Fall 2019 + Intro to Environmental Policy in Spring 2020; plans presentations and activities to engage student in content, and provides support for assignments or papers during weekly office hours

### ENGLISH TEACHER- PROGRAMA INGLES ABRES PUERTAS

Ministerio Educacion De Chile, March - July 2019

Taught English as a foreign language to a combined total of 300+ students at a public high school in the Araucania region of Southern Chile, through a volunteer educational initiative of the Chilean Ministry of Education and UN Development Program.

### PEROT MUSEUM OF SCIENCE AND NATURE

Research Consultant - September - March 2019

Research Intern - May - August 2019

Worked on a team of applied anthropologists to collect qualitative data evaluating climate change content in the Dynamic earth hall through participant interviews, focus groups, and survey methods, with the purpose of investigating the modern role of museums in climate change discourse.

### STRATEGIC PROGRAMS INTERN

U.S Department of Energy, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy  
May 2017-August 2017

Assisted Director of the Solar Decathlon, a sustainable building competition and D.O.E's largest public event; researched topics related to the competition to inform planning, communicated with participants, and wrote two articles published on energy.gov

### RESEARCH ASSISTANT TO DR. JAYME WALENTA

Texas A&M University, Department of Geography  
June 2017-May 2017

Analyzed corporate carbon emission reports and entered data into excel sheets, to assist Dr. Walenta with her research on corporate climate governance; presented findings at American Association of Geographer 2017 meeting in Boston

### RESEARCH ASSISTANT TO DR. JEREMY JOHNSON

Texas A&M Department of Geography  
February 2017-May 2017

Assisted with research on how climate change is impacting alpine tree lines; extracted DNA from pine needle samples to genotype specimens

### SUSTAINABILITY OUTREACH INTERN

Texas A&M Office of Sustainability  
January 2016- May 2016

Worked with a team of undergraduate interns to produce workshops and presentations to educate the campus community about environmental & social sustainability