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## Education

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- 2026 Ph.D., Geography, University of Georgia (expected)  
*Adviser:* Dr. Jennifer Rice
- 2022 M.A., Geography, University of Georgia  
*Thesis:* Carbon Colonialism by the Emerald City: Colonial Social Relations in Urban Climate Action  
*Adviser:* Dr. Jennifer Rice
- 2020 B.A., Environmental Sustainability: Planning and Management with Geographic Information Systems (Minor), University of Oklahoma  
*Capstone Adviser:* Dr. Mary Lawhon

## Research

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- 2022 Master's Thesis, "Carbon Colonialism by the Emerald City: Colonial Social Relations in Urban Climate Action", supervised by Dr. Jennifer Rice, University of Georgia, August 2022
- 2020 Capstone Project, "What is a "Green City"? Understanding Environmental Imaginaries of Residents in a Politically Conservative Area", supervised by Dr. Mary Lawhon, University of Oklahoma, May 2020
- 2019 Undergraduate Academic Assistant, "Imaginations and moral connotations of "green city" in politically conservative areas", supervised by Dr. Mary Lawhon, University of Oklahoma, May 2019-August 2019
- 2018 Undergraduate Academic Assistant, "Constructing Green Cities", supervised by Dr. Angela Person and Dr Randy Peppler, University of Oklahoma, June 2018-August 2018

## Publications

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### In Progress

2022 Orozco, A. & **Henderson, M.B.**, “Revisiting Place-Based Organizing in Urban Social Movements: Insights from Black and Indigenous Feminism”. Planned submission Fall 2022.

### Peer Reviewed

2022 Arney, R.N., **Henderson, M.B.**, Deloach, H., Lichtenstein, G., & German, L. “Connecting Across Difference in Environmental Governance: Beyond Rights, Recognition, and, Participation”. *Environment and Planning E: Nature and Space*.

2021 **Henderson, M.**, & Lawhon, M. “What is a “Green City”? Understanding Environmental Imaginaries of Residents in a Politically Conservative Area ” *Southeastern Geographer*

### Book Review

2020 Lawhon, M. & **Henderson, M.** “Book Review of *A Planet to Win: Why We Need A Green New Deal* by Kate Aronoff, Alyssa Battistoni, Daniel Aldana Cohen and Thea Riofrancos”. Antipode Online, July 2020.

### Editor Reviewed

2021 Lawhon, M., **Henderson, M** & McCreary, T. “Neither more nor less, but enough: Towards a modest political ecology of the future”, *Political Geography*, 2021

2018 **Henderson, M.**, Person, A., & Pepler, R. “Constructing Green Cities”, Feature Article in SCIPP Newsletter, November 2018. Retrieve from [http://www.southernclimate.org/documents/November\\_2018\\_Southern\\_Climate\\_Monitor\\_correct.pdf](http://www.southernclimate.org/documents/November_2018_Southern_Climate_Monitor_correct.pdf)

## Honors & Awards

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2021 National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Program (~\$138,000)

2021 Cobell Scholar Graduate Award (\$12,500)

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2020	Letzeiser Honor List
2020	Clyde F. Bollinger Award (\$750)
2020	Academic Achievement Award (\$1,000)
2020	Gamma Theta Upsilon Member
2019	Udall Scholar (\$7,000)
2019	Academic Achievement Award (\$1,000)
2019	Cobell Scholar Undergraduate Award (\$5,000)
2019	PE-ET Top 10 Senior Honor Society
2019	Vernon and Sandra Nutter Scholarship (\$1,250)
2018	Academic Achievement Award (\$1,000)
2018	Ralph and Margaret Olson Scholarship (\$750)
2017	Academic Achievement Award (\$1,000)
2016	Academic Achievement Award (\$1,000)

**Total in Honors & Awards: \$182,750**

## Conference Presentations

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2022	<b>Henderson, M.B.</b> & Arney, R.N. “Beyond Rights, Recognition, and Participation: Rupturing Settler Colonial Approaches to Environmental Governance”, American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting. (virtual).
2022	Arney, R.N. & <b>Henderson, M.B.</b> “Decolonizing Conservation and Environmental Governance: Theoretical Foundations for Situating Research and Practice Beyond Coloniality”, Integrative Conservation Conference. (virtual)
2020	<b>Henderson, M.B.</b> “Imaginations of “green cities” in a politically conservative area”, Dimensions of Political Ecology Conference, Undergraduate Symposium.
2019	<b>Henderson, M.B.</b> “Constructing Green Cities”, Dimensions of Political Ecology Conference, Undergraduate Symposium.

## Panels

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2021	<b>Henderson, M.B.</b> , Panelist, Transnational Movements for Land, Water, and Home, Dept of Geography, University of Georgia (Online Panel).
2020	<b>Henderson, M.B.</b> , Panelist, Graduate School Informational, Dept of Geography & Environmental Sustainability, University of Oklahoma (Online Panel).
2019	<b>Henderson, M.B.</b> , Panelist, Student Heroes: Environmental Sustainability Panel. Student Heroes Organization. University of Oklahoma.

2019            **Henderson, M.B.**, Panelist, Affording College Panel. Edmond Indian Education. Edmond, Oklahoma.

## Teaching Experience

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2022            Teaching Assistant, GEOG 1101 Human Geography, University of Georgia  
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2021            Teaching Assistant & Discussion Section Lead, GEOG 1130 World Geography, University of Georgia  
2020            Teaching Assistant, GEOG 1101 Introduction to Human Geography, University of Georgia

## Professional Associations

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2020            American Association of Geographers (AAG)  
2020            Athena Co-Learning Collective

## Service and Volunteer Experience

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### *Departmental & University Service*

2022            Vice-Chair of Geography Graduate Student Association, University of Georgia  
2022            Cultural & Outreach Chair of Native American Student Association, University of Georgia  
2021            Panel Chair for Integrative Conservation Panel, Allied Action & Anti-Colonial Conservation, University of Georgia  
2018- 2020    President of the Geography and Environmental Sustainability Club, University of Oklahoma  
2018-2020    Chair of the Liaison Committee for Green Week, University of Oklahoma

2019-2020 Co-Chair of Cultural Council for Gamma Delta Pi (American Indian Sorority),  
University of Oklahoma

*Community-Service*

2022- Volunteer with Pup & Cap Co.

2022- Volunteer with Big Canoe Animal Rescue