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## The Editors

## Ervina Ajkic '20

Ervina is a junior at Lake Forest College. She is a psychology major with minors in sociology and anthropology and gender, sexuality and women's studies. In addition to *Inter-Text*, Ervina also attends It's On Us and takes an internship at a juvenile detention center.

## Yessenia Alvarado-Vasquez '20

Yessenia is a junior at Lake Forest College, double majoring in education and Spanish. She is an active member of Modern Language Club Psi, Latinos Unidos, Student for Women's Awareness Network, Vice President of Phi Sigma lota, and Historian of Kappa Delta Pi, and serves on the Modern Languages Student Advisory Committee. Yessenia is also a Graduate School Exploration Fellow, which means she will complete research at a Big Ten University in the summer of 2019. She intends to pursue a graduate degree either in education or linguistics.

### Michelle Angeles '20

Michelle is a junior at Lake Forest College. She is a double major in communication and French. She serves on the Modern Languages Student Advisory Committee. She is also a student worker on campus at the library.

## Stephany Baca '19

Stephany is a graduating senior at Lake Forest College. She is a psychology and Spanish major with a history minor. Stephany is also part of the United Black Association and the Student Academic Advisory Committee for Modern Languages.

## Emma Baumgartel '21

Emma is a sophomore majoring in psychology with a minor in English. With a passion for both writing and psychology, she decided to join *Inter-Text* as a way to combine both of these interests. She hopes to pursue a career in counseling or clinical psychology. Emma is also a tutor at the Writing Center and is on the club water polo team.

#### Belinda Beaver '22

Belinda is a freshman pursuing a major in English and minor in print and digital publishing, with a possible double major in communications.

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She hopes to pursue a career in editing or publishing. Belinda is also a member of Student Programming Board on campus.

### Richard Biggio-Gottschlich '19

A senior in the Lake Forest College political science/international relations program with minors in history and environmental studies, Richard works as a leader around campus working as the assistant technical director for the theater department and the president of Garrick Players. He lead the refounding of Model United Nations and works with Scouts BSA to enrich the lives of youth. He is an Eagle Scout. Richard has presented three times at the college symposium to enrich his fellows with learning. He had the honor of being the first Lake Forest College Student to study abroad in Mongolia.

## Sarah Boomgarden '19

Sarah is a senior at Lake Forest College, graduating as part of the class of 2019. She is a history and religion major with a concentration in medieval and ancient history. She is an active member of PRIDE, Vice President and a founding member of The Clio Society: A Club for History Students, and the Social Media Ambassador for the history department. She is also an inducted member of the National Residence Hall Honorary and Theta Alpha Kappa (honor society for religion and theology students) and is a student worker in the campus archives and student art gallery.

#### Sarah Coffman '21

Sarah is a sophomore studying history, African American studies, and education. Besides training to manage *Inter-Text* next year, Sarah is currently a member of Alpha Phi Omega, the Humanities Ambassador Program, and the History Student Advisory Committee. She tutors in the Writing Center and is co-authoring a research article with history professor Rudi Batzell on infanticide in Chicago from 1870-1910. Sarah is also a Graduate School Exploration Fellow, which means she will complete research at a Big Ten university in the summer of 2020. She intends to pursue graduate studies at a historically black college or university after graduation.

## Kayla Goelz '21

Kayla is a sophomore pursuing a major in business. Aside from working on *Inter-Text*, Kayla was a part of the Richter Scholar Research Program last summer.

### Aleko Jgarkava '21

Aleko is a sophomore majoring in international relations and economics. He is from Tbilisi, Georgia. Last summer he conducted a research project with Professor Glenn Adelson titled "Differences Between Christianity and Buddhism in Their Use of Floral Symbolism" for the Richter Scholar Program. In addition to *Inter-Text*, Aleko is part of Lake Forest College debate club.

#### Zach Klein '21

Zach is a sophomore majoring in international relations and economics at Lake Forest College. He is a member of Model United Nations, Debate, Lambda Chi Alpha, and *Demos: Undergraduates Journal of Politics, Economics, and International Relations*, and works at the Writing Center on campus. Zach wants to continue to study Middle Eastern politics and hopes to work as an analyst for the State Department.

## Margo La Clair '19

#### Aaron O'Neill '21

Aaron is sophomore double majoring in political science and economics with a minor in legal studies. He is a resident assistant on campus in addition to being involved with the admissions office through the Gummere Fellows program. Last summer Aaron participated in the Richter Scholars program and conducted research with Dr. Flavia Barbosa, a professor of biology. Aaron is also a member of the men's hockey team.

#### Emma G. Overton '22

Emma is a freshman who plans to pursue a major in environmental studies with minors in legal studies and journalism. In addition to editing for *Inter-Text*, she is the News Section Editor for the College's newspaper, *The Stentor*, and she is a member of the League for Environmental Awareness and Protection (LEAP). In the summer of 2019, Emma will participate in the Richter Scholars program, conducting research with Dr. Desmond Odugu on housing discrimination and educational disparities in the Chicagoland area. Emma plans to attend law school and hopes to pursue a career as an environmental attorney while advocating for those living in underserved communities affected by pollution.

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### Kristin Rawlings '19

After realizing during freshman year that she probably needed a more practical career than "aspiring best-selling author," Kristin discovered her passion for editing. Now a senior, Kristin is completing a double major in writing and religion, minoring in print & digital publishing, and excited for a career in publishing. In addition to managing *Inter-Text*, Kristin is finishing her senior thesis on Milton's *Paradise Lost* and Islam. She also freelance edits at a content marketing company; is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Omicron Delta Kappa, Theta Alpha Kappa, and the Religion Department Student Advisory Committee; and sings with the Women's Choir.

#### Pouriya Soltani '22

Pouriya is a freshman majoring in economics. Curious about the world of publishing, he joined *Inter-Text* as a way to satisfy his desires. He is the current Treasurer for Model United Nations. He also engages with United Asia. His plans for the future include working at a major Thinktank utilizing his schooling and skills or one day being the Chairman of the Federal Reserve.

#### Alex Soriano '19

Alex is a senior. She is double majoring in psychology and sociology & anthropology, and completed a research fellowship at University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign last summer.

#### Jennifer Valdés del Valle '21

Jennifer is a sophomore double majoring in international relations and French, with a minor in Latin American studies. During her free time, Jennifer takes part in Phi Sigma Lota, the Grace Elizabeth Groner Foundation, the International Relations Student Advisory Committee, Student Government College Life Committee, and International Student Organization. She is also the director of *Collage Magazine*, a literary platform that celebrates cultural diversity in Lake Forest College. Interested in advocating for social justice within the Latin American region, Jennifer is looking forward to a career in diplomacy.

#### Dr. Rudi Batzell

Inter-Text Faculty Adviser

Dr. Batzell is an Assistant Professor of History, teaching courses on the United States, global economic and social history, and the history of protest and policing. His research is on the history of inequality, state formation, and politics.

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