TEXAS STATE VITA

I. Academic/Professional Background

A. Name: Jessica Awada Title:

B. Educational Background

Degree	Year	University	Major	Thesis/Dissertation
Bachelor of Arts	2022	St. Olaf College	English Language & Literature	No

C. University Experience
Texas State University Graduate Instructional Assistant (Fall 2025 and Spring 2026)

III. SCHOLARLY/CREATIVE

A. Works in Print (including works accepted, forthcoming, in press):

8. Poems: “we teach life, still”, “FEAST” & “we were children in beirut” published in University of Hawai’i’s *Vice-Versa* (July 2026)

9. Short Stories:
“Kindling” published in The Rio Review (May 2024)

D. Scholarly / Creative Fellowships, Awards, Honors:

Ralph and Francys Houston Scholarship (Fall 2026)
University Chair of Creative Writing Scholarship (Fall 2026)
TXST Grad Merit Fellowship (Fall 2025 & Spring 2026)
W. Morgan and Lou Claire Rose Scholarship (TRIP) (Fall 2025 & Spring 2026)
TSUS Graduate Endowed Fellowship in Liberal Arts (Fall 2025 & Spring 2026)

IV. SERVICE

C. Community:
Austin Bat Cave – Teaching Artist (Spring 2026, ~40 hours)

D. Organization Memberships:
Radius of Arab American Writers (Member as of June 2026)