Introducing: Lilly Hromadka Auxiliar de Conversación 2021-2022

Hello everyone! My name is Lilly Hromadka and I will be the English auxiliar de conversación at Medina Rivilla for the 2021-2022 school year. I will be working with the bilingual music, math, science, technology, and history teachers. I am so excited to be here and would like to take this opportunity to tell you all a little more about myself!





I was born and raised in Houston, Texas to Gina Rico and Paul Hromadka. My mother teaches chemistry and forensic science to high school students and my father is a chemical engineer at ExxonMobil.

I am the second of 3 children, and have an older brother, Paul, and a younger sister, Elena. My brother currently works for dPix as a mechanical engineer in Colorado Springs, Colorado and Elena is a sophomore at Colorado Mesa University in Grand Junction, Colorado.





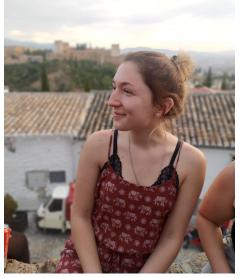
I received my Bachelor of Science in Athletic Training at Florida State University in Tallahassee, Florida. Athletic Training is a healthcare profession that encompasses the prevention, examination, diagnosis, treatment and rehabilitation of emergent, acute or chronic injuries and medical conditions. I worked with male and female athletes from many different sports, including rugby, soccer, baseball and gymnastics.

Watch: What is an Athletic Trainer?

After I graduated in May of 2020 (pictured left!), I worked part-time as a medical scribe in an outpatient pediatrician's office at The University of Texas Medical Branch. I was also a substitute teacher at different schools across all grades and subjects. In April of 2021 I earned my certificate in Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL) and began my journey to teach in Spain!

In my spare time I enjoy reading, drinking coffee, taking walks and traveling. I have already been to almost every state in the United States, as well as the Bahamas, Puerto Rico, Mexico, London, and on a previous trip to Spain (in 2018), Madrid and Seville. To the right is a picture of my recent hiking trip to Utah, in Canyonlands National Park!





While I am here this year I would like to visit Cordoba, Cadiz, Malaga, and many other cities throughout Spain (I've already gone to Granada: pictured left)! My top European travel destinations outside of Spain include Portugal, Germany, the Czech Republic and Switzerland. My goal is to one day live and teach English in Thailand and South Korea!



My favorite book (and movie) series of all time is Harry Potter! Here I am pictured outside of Hogwarts at the Universal Studios theme park in Orlando.

I recently started watching Love in Times of War and The Last Kingdom on Netflix, but my all time favorite show is probably Criminal Minds!

I have to admit I know next to nothing about soccer, especially in terms of Spanish teams, so don't ask me who my favorite is, I'm sorry! Feel free to teach me all you want about it though, and try to convince me to love *your* favorite team; I would love to learn!

I think that's about it for me! If you have any questions, please reach out, I would love to chat! And please don't be afraid to say hello if you see me around town! I am enjoying living in and exploring Bailen. It is a beautiful little town and everyone has been so nice to me. I am humbled by the support and friendship offered me, and I am looking forward to getting to know you all better throughout the year!

(Me and a cat mural in Jaen!)

