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## Abstract

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## Keywords

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## Disciplines

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## Comments

The Interns at Gettysburg College's Musselman Library captured their internship experiences since the spring of 2011. Over time the blog has featured Fortenbaugh, Smith, and Holley interns. They shared updates on semester long projects, responded to blogging prompts, and documented their individual intern experience.

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# Blogging the Library

The Interns @ Gettysburg College's Musselman Library

## The Life of a Holley Intern

October 9, 2013

By: Stephanie Bowen

Greetings!

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Fred escorts the Eisenhower into the Chapel.

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Thus far into my internship, I spent my summer in Special Collections processing a collection of papers donated by alum Frederick Weiser '57. Fred's collection was full of genealogical research, correspondence in Pennsylvania Dutch and photos from his years at Gettysburg.

I also completely rebound a book...I literally sewed the pages back together and made a new cover. I digitized portion of the George Washington Beidelman letters. George was a young man from Bloomsburg, PA who served in the 71st Pennsylvania volunteers during the Civil War. Reading George's letters was the

most fun I had all summer. He's a very thoughtful and religious young man who is experiencing severe homesickness and the horrors of war, yet still manages to write about meeting pretty girls.

This semester you can find me at the Reference Desk. I've spent a good deal of time becoming familiar with the resources Musselman library has to offer. Stop by the desk one afternoon and put me to the test. I welcome the challenge of great questions! I'm also working in Technical Services. To me it's the place that keeps the library running. They purchase books and databases, catalog new materials, monitor the electronic resources, AND they do it all with the user in mind. It's truly awesome.



Digging in Montoursville, PA

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As for me, I'm a 2013 graduate of Lycoming College in Williamsport, PA. I was an Archaeology and American studies major, so clearly I need to become a librarian (sarcasm intended). I realized archaeology wasn't for me when I got heat exhaustion on my first dig. On the bright side, I loved my work study job at Lycoming's library and decided to investigate becoming a librarian. Based on my experience so far, spending the rest of my life in a library sounds good to me.

Fun facts about me:

- My favorite book (of all time) is *Pride and Prejudice* by Jane Austen
- I love jazz music, particularly hard bop and free jazz.
- I'm currently reading dystopian fiction (*Hunger Games*, Brave World New type books)
- I'm a huge Philadelphia Flyers fan.

Look for me on the Reference Desk!

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