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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.



Blogging the Library

The Interns @ Gettysburg College's Musselman Library

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August 3, 2017

by Kayla Morrow

Hello!

My name is Kayla Morrow and I'll be the Barbara Holley Intern for 2017-2018. Amidst all of the excitement in Special Collections this summer, I've failed to properly introduce myself.

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Tomorrow I will finish my first internship rotation in Special Collections, where I have completed a few exciting projects (updates soon to come!). I've already learned so much and am looking forward to my upcoming time in the Scholarly Communications Department starting Monday, August 7.

Until next time.

Kayla