

Undergraduate Research Opportunity

PROJECT

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Public History Research Experience

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History

Hours required p/week:

Credits anticipated: 3

Public History is history that engages the community in building connections to their pasts and each other. For this research experience, students will work with the Public History coordinator and various Faculty on a variety of ongoing Public History projects. These projects will change throughout the semester and will vary depending on if the student is in person or online. Students will participate in at least different two projects, but likely more. Projects might include archive work, transcription, creating a digital collection, oral history, exhibition planning, community research, writing for the public or conducting collecting events. One hour per week will be spent in a Zoom or in-person meeting.

TEMPE

ONLINE

STUDENT

Research assistant's duties:

Students' duties may include conducting and processing oral histories; facilitating work between partner organizations and students; attending in-person collection events (on-ground students); curating or editing digital projects; working in archival setting for partner institutions; writing exhibit panels; creating educational programming; or researching background information for partner institutions and groups.

Required skills or qualifications:

Desired qualifications include strong writing and communication skills; research experience; interest in Oral History; time management skills; and basic computing skills.

Skills student will acquire:

Students will learn various aspects of working in the Public History realm. These include planning and executing a project with a partner institution; organizing research; archival research; curating items in a digital exhibit; conducting and processing oral histories; creating educational programming around an exhibit or event; and digital resource collection and curation.