Undergraduate Research Opportunity

PROJECT

History of Freshwater Fishing in the British Empire
Prof. Tobias Harper
History

This project, “History of Freshwater Fishing in the British Empire,” is a cultural and political history of freshwater fishing in the British Empire. Dr. Harper is in the very early stages of this project, and would like students to assist in surveying the range of texts in Britain and the British Empire dealing in some way with freshwater fishing as leisure, subsistence, and business including debates about poaching and discussions of acclimatization (i.e. transplanting fish species between different parts of the world).

STUDENT

Research assistant’s duties:
The student researcher will survey databases of 18th through 20th century periodicals and books for references to freshwater fishing, poaching, acclimatization, and other related activities. They will work with Dr. Harper to identify, describe, and analyze key sources using the ASU library system.

Required skills or qualifications:
Familiarity with online databases required. French desired but not essential.

Skills student will acquire:
Sophisticated database research skills and research organization and summary.