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Being an intern at the National Archives has allowed me to see how the federal government works in assisting other agencies and the general public. I have learned how to process records, and to look for specific documents that one may seek. I have learned what it means to be an archivist; by preserving, organizing and pulling records. I have learned how important it is to properly care for these records, and how much they mean to American history.

This internship has and will open up many doors for me, as I would like to pursue a career where I would be working in the federal government. As an intern, I have learned how U.S. government jobs work, and how essential the federal system is for America and Americans as a whole. It has made me want to pursue a government career even more.

My internship experience has been excellent, I am always busy doing work, and I feel that I am making a difference. This internship would be ideal for anyone interested in history, or if they would like to pursue a federal position.

Any student who is thinking about interning should do their research; find out what they are interested in, even if they are only partially interested in a particular internship site. Being an intern opens many more doors, and gives you the hands-on experience that shows you are a hard-worker, skillful, and sets you apart from anyone else.

Any student can use the Career Development Office for anything; they have a helpful and kind staff that will go above and beyond to make sure you get the assistance that you need. If you are not sure whether you should go to graduate school or pursue a career, they can provide you with information that can help you make decisions that will positively impact your future. Especially if you are considering interning, the CDO is essential to making sure your needs get met.