

Intern Spotlight:

Name: Suchitra Acharjee Major: Public Administration College: College of Liberal Arts

Internship:

The Library of Congress, Research Assistant

How did you obtain your internship?

I learned about the internship from a post and contacted the hiring manager about it on LinkedIn. Then, I interviewed over the phone and got it!

What did you do during your internship? What were your responsibilities/ duties?

My internship with the Library of Congress has been exciting so far as it is full of resources. I helped two scholars with their research on African American Lifestyle regarding Zora Neale Hurston's and Pearl Primus's collections and another one is women's empowerment in the Middle East through social media. Both of the research topics have been very enriching for me as women's rights advocate.

What was the exciting aspect of your internship?

The Library itself. It is breathtakingly beautiful and there are so many divisions to explore. I love walking to the library every morning as D. C. surrounded by flowers and the weather is always nice.

What recommendations do you have for other students about doing an internship?

I would definitely encourage other students to consider doing an internship during winter or summer as it adds value to one's knowledge and relationship building and expands the possibility of learning new things every day. It is also a great way to figure out what you like and dislike.

How has the Career Center supported you in your career development?

The Career Center has helped me believe in myself and taught me how to navigate through different internship and job opportunities. The resources in the Career Center about public speaking, networking, and job search strategies are paramount for a student's success.