

Curating Community Digital Collections 2019

The Institute of Museum and Library Services selected WiLS (Wisconsin Library Services) to receive a FY2017 Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program grant for this initiative. WiLS, in partnership with Recollection Wisconsin, the UW-Madison's iSchool and the UW-Milwaukee's School of Information Studies, will provide library school graduate students with practical experience in digital stewardship through summer fieldwork positions at small and under-resourced memory institutions across Wisconsin.

General Expectations for Practicum/Fieldwork Students

- Be currently enrolled in your iSchool program and participate during summer 2019 term, in conjunction with your program's summer schedule.
- Fulfill your program's practicum/fieldwork requirements during the summer term. Students must enroll and complete either [LIS620](#) (UW-Madison) or INFOST990 or 759 (UW-Milwaukee).
- Join all project participants in a virtual orientation meeting (GoToMeeting) in mid-April 2019.
- Participate in a 3-day Immersion Workshop in Madison May 21-23, 2019. *All participation costs paid.*
- Be timely and professional in all communications and interactions with mentors, CCDC staff and host site staff.
- Be engaged, inquisitive and receptive to guidance and expertise offered by your assigned mentor and site supervisor.
- Carry out a digital preservation project, following the plan developed by your host site.
- During the placement period:
 - Participate in at least two group check-in conversations.
 - Participate in at least three one-on-one interactions with your assigned mentor.
 - Participate in a mid-summer site visit with Program Coordinator, mentor and host site staff
 - Use interactive communication channels to post questions and project updates.
- Complete 120-150 hours of fieldwork with assigned host site.
- Reconvene with full cohort at a virtual capstone event in August 2019.
- Complete course assignments to provide context for fieldwork and build skills in professional communication.
- Complete a self-assessment before and after the placement to document increases in professional knowledge.
- Complete additional long-range surveys at six months and two years to evaluate how well the program prepared you for job placements.
- Receive credit towards your degree as well as a stipend of \$2,200.

Questions? Don't hesitate to contact Vicki Tobias, Program Coordinator (vicki@wils.org).

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WiLS (Wisconsin Library Services) is a non-profit membership organization that facilitates collaborative projects to advance library service, primarily in the state of Wisconsin. Recollection Wisconsin brings together digital cultural heritage resources from Wisconsin libraries, archives, museums and historical societies and coordinates the state's Service Hub for the Digital Public Library of America.

