

Library Student Internship: Digital Scholarship Geomapping Project

The Library offers an internship for the summer of 2016 that will produce an interactive digital map of historical Quaker travels in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries.

Funding will be provided as follows: \$11/hour for 35 hours/week for 10 weeks of employment

The project:

Haverford Libraries and Friends Historical Library at Swarthmore are collaborating on a document transcription and encoding project called Beyond Penn's Treaty. This project transcribes and encodes journals documenting eighteenth and nineteenth century Quaker travels and their interactions with American Indians in order to draw new and reveal existing connections among people, places, and groups.

This position will work with geographic data related to the project, resolving place names, cleaning up the data set, and creating an interactive map for the project website using GIS techniques.

Responsibilities include:

- Normalizing geographic data in spreadsheets and databases
- Researching special collections to gather information about historic places and place names
- Creating an interactive map for the project website

Oversight:

Mike Zarafonetis, Digital Scholarship Librarian at Haverford, will supervise and will meet regularly with the student to offer advice and direction. The intern will also have the opportunity to work closely with Haverford Quaker & Special Collections and metadata staff, and with Friends Historical Library staff at Swarthmore.

Qualifications: (training for some of these will be provided):

- Experience working with geographic data and mapping in GIS systems or web mapping platforms (Mapbox, CartoDB, etc.) preferred, but not required
- Experience with front-end web development, including HTML, CSS, and Javascript preferred but not required
- Experience doing research with original primary documents or in a special collections setting preferred
- Knowledge of and interest in Quaker, American Indian, and/or early American history preferred

To apply:

To apply, please fill out the library's summer internship application form and provide a short statement (500 words or less) describing why you are interested in this internship and why you think it would be a good fit. Please describe any experience you have working with special collections materials or digital projects and provide the name of a faculty member whom we can contact as a reference.

Please submit application and statement to hccirc@haverford.edu or return it to the front desk in Magill. Applications are **due by February 15**.